

Bennett Takes Over

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- Stringent New Air Fleet Policy Set



Gaglardi in office with jet model, Bible ... and at end of lonely day



Bennett after announcement in House

'I'm One of Dying Breed'

By IAN STREET
Legislative Reporter

Philip Arthur Gaglardi, on his own say-so one of a dying breed, sat surrounded by memories of his 13 years as highways minister in B.C.

The immediate task facing him was to vacate the office cluttered with framed testimonials, portraits of family, an autographed picture of a movie star, and models of the equipment. Phil Gaglardi loved to operate.

Suddenly, after running a government department that will spend \$129,000,000 this year,

he was a minister without portfolio and "probably without supporters, too."

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"Would you do it all over again, Phil?" a reporter asked. "Sure, sure, sure," he replied. "I'm one of a breed that's dying out, you know. I'm an individualist. You're not going to herd me in, mister. If you fellows try, I'm going to leap over those fences."

Phil Gaglardi is proud of the fact that he is a man who knows what he wants from life, and he runs things accordingly. He was asked whether he

considered that he had done wrong, as the opposition charged in a series of disclosures which culminated with his offer to resign as highways minister.

"I guess I've made maybe a million mistakes in my life," he said. The reporter pressed him. Had he ever intentionally done wrong?

'Who Cares?'

"No, no, no," said Phil Gaglardi. "I don't do those things." What about his future? Would he stay in politics? "Who

cares?" Phil Gaglardi asked. "I make that decision day by day. I wake up in the morning now just that much lighter."

"What's happened, I know, will make a lot of people happy. But some sensible people will be disappointed."

No Regrets

"My decision is based on the needs of the government. I'm not interested personally (in remaining a minister) but the premier, who has always been extremely fair in his judgments, asked me to remain."

He specifically said he

GAGLARDI RESIGNS

An intense and sustained opposition attack brought the resignation Thursday of Philip Gaglardi as minister of highways for the province.

Premier Bennett, who made the announcement to the legislature, will take personal charge of the highways department, which has been rocked by controversy surrounding land speculation and use of government aircraft.

Mr. Gaglardi, who remains in the cabinet as a minister without portfolio, will have his \$17,000-a-year salary as minister cut to \$8,000. He has been asked to vacate his present office but at the moment no other accommodation has been allocated.

The Premier later told reporters that health was the reason for Mr. Gaglardi's resignation.

The former highways minister, 55 years old, is still recovering from surgery on an impacted tooth and a jaw cyst. The reason he gave reporters for quitting, however, was his concern that the government was being damaged by attacks on him. (See also Page 21.)

Mr. Bennett refused to answer questions regarding his handling during highways estimates next week of allegations concerning use of the government's executive Lear jet by members of Mr. Gaglardi's family, involvement of the former minister's sons in land developments along highways, and work done by highways employees on Gaglardi ranches.

SECRET TRIP

"Don't try to anticipate the estimates," the premier told reporters.

The announcement of Mr. Gaglardi's resignation — following a hurried secret trip to Government House shortly before 3 p.m. Thursday — touched off a series of actions and reactions.

● Liberal leader Ray Perrault immediately called for a full judicial inquiry into the reasons for the Gaglardi resignation "and all matters attendant thereto." NDP leader Robert Strachan accused the government of "trying to run away from the issue" and said that if the circumstances were serious enough to warrant Mr. Gaglardi's resignation from the highways portfolio, "he should resign from the cabinet."

● Premier Bennett announced a strict policy concerning use of government aircraft, implying Mr. Gaglardi's free-wheeling policies which brought the government under heavy attack were wrong.

● The Lear jet, pride of the government's air fleet under Mr. Gaglardi, was ordered returned from Wichita, Kan., where it is being serviced, and grounded until further notice. There were indications that the government may buy out of the lease which runs until 1976.

● There were indications of a further cabinet shuffle "in a few months" after the premier told reporters his personal handling of a highways portfolio was only temporary.

There was an air of crisis in the legislature which built up through the week and reached a climax Thursday. There were reports that the minister would

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It's Not Enough Say NDP, Grits

Leaders of Opposition parties in the legislature continued to press Thursday for further government action following the announcement that former highways minister Philip Gaglardi would remain in the cabinet.

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As it is, Mr. Gaglardi is still within the cabinet and he is still an adviser to the 11c state and government-in-council," the Opposition leader said. "I say that I'm not satisfied."

Liberal leader Ray Perrault issued a statement on behalf of the party caucus which said it was in the public interest that the government immediately order a full judicial inquiry.

"The terms of reference of the inquiry should include a complete review of the reasons for the Gaglardi resignation, and all matters attendant thereto," the statement said.

Mr. Strachan told reporters outside the house that the government "and particularly in recent weeks" had demonstrated a singular lack of ethical standards.

"Until this state of affairs is improved," he said, "I for one have no faith that parliamentary democracy in this province is in safe hands."

Mr. Perrault said the resignation of Mr. Gaglardi as highways minister disclosed no new facts and, indeed,

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Israelis Pull Back

Raid Bases Erased

From AP-Reuters
Israeli troops, 15,000 strong by Arab estimate, claimed to have wiped out four Arab terrorist bases in an invasion of Jordan on Thursday. The invaders then fought back homeward under heavy fire.

Jordanian resistance slowed the withdrawal, but the Israeli

chief of staff, Maj.-Gen. Haim Bar-Lev, said late Thursday night that all Israeli forces had returned to the west bank of the Jordan River, the ceasefire line between the two countries.

The west bank was seized from Jordan in the Arab-Israeli war of June 5-10 last.

FIERCE FIGHTS

Fierce engagements were reported around the Damiya and Allenby bridges on the Jordan River between Arab riflemen and Israeli rear guards, haggard after 14 hours of fighting.

Israel also said its raid killed an estimated 150 Arab saboteurs and inflicted heavy casualties on Jordanian King Hussein's Arab Legion.

Jordan claimed 200 Israeli soldiers were killed, compared with 20 Jordanians. Israel said 30 of its men were killed.

COUNTER-CLAIMS

The Israelis claimed destruction of 30 Jordanian tanks. Jordan said it destroyed 45 Israeli tanks and about 50 other armored vehicles and shot down five Israeli planes while losing 10 tanks and 10 other vehicles.

Israel acknowledged the loss of five armored vehicles and one plane to Jordanian ground fire. The pilot bailed out safely.

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Venezuelan Airliner Hijacked to Cuba

CARACAS, (AP)—A Venezuelan airliner was hijacked Thursday night and flown to Cuba with 50 persons aboard, the interior department reported.

Officials said the Avensa liner was hijacked en route from Caracas to Maracaibo and flown to Santiago, Cuba. A spokesman said there were 47 passengers and three crew members aboard.

No-Family Rule Going Into Effect

Premier May Get Rid of That Jet

Premier Bennett will be used exclusively by cabinet ministers and government employees on official business, said Mr. Bennett. No families or friends or other non-government passengers will be permitted.

Future trips by the aircraft outside of B.C. will require written permission from the premier himself, Mr. Bennett added.

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A log book is to be kept of

all trips taken by the aircraft and the names of passengers on the flights are to be recorded, said the premier.

In the case of the Lear jet, now in Wichita, Kan., for servicing, it must be returned to its Victoria base "as soon as possible" and will be grounded until further notice, said Mr. Bennett.

In answer to a question, the premier said he was considering

the matter of buying out of the lease on the jet.

The lease was sold last December by a previous owner for \$486,608 to Greyhound Leasing and Financial Corporation, according to David Barrett (NDP-Coquitlam) following a study of government vouchers in the public accounts committee. Mr. Barrett said under terms of the lease, which expires July 1, 1978, B.C.

would pay a total of \$795,000 for the jet if it completed the final purchase.

After the end of May, 1968, the government has the option to buy out of the lease on three months' notice and payment of \$25,000 cash. Mr. Barrett said the three-month lease fee would cost another \$25,000.

Mr. Bennett was asked by reporters what the govern-

ment's former policy was, covering the use of government aircraft. He replied, "I am telling you the policy established since I became minister at 3:15 p.m. today (Thursday)."

A question answered in writing in the legislature Wednesday estimated the value of the five government-owned aircraft at \$800,000 and said the lease on the jet cost \$70,986 in 1967.

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Freeman's Name Omitted Twice

THEY DO FORGET: The Justice for Bert Thomas Committee says its man's name has not only been left out of the official book of Freeman of the City, it is not even in its proper place of honor at the top of the Victoria voters' list.

Mind you, the strait swimmer probably wouldn't want to be on the voters' list — as an American he can't vote in foreign elections anyway — but it seems rude to leave him out.

It also seems rude of our civic leaders to be saying the things they were Thursday about this protest.

This is the way of the establishment, which considers it poor form to mention anything the establishment prefers to forget.

Which reminds me — whatever became of the chamber of commerce committee headed by Ald. Clyde Savage to look into the city's handling of the Thomas Shanks McPherson estate?

LOOK IT OVER: Some of our city fathers who have an uncanny knack of getting to the trivia of things might like to look into this letter, which was published in the Jan. 26 issue of the New Statesman. "I wish fat people could be banned from public transportation, especially buses. We should have some sort of gauge on buses and trains which would admit only the reasonably sized."

Should keep a few of our worthies busy for weeks. Might even get a committee set up for this one.

HOT LINERS: This morning students from two



Victoria high schools will have a crack at the hot line radio program business.

Broadcaster Vic Williams of CJVI turns the prime 45 minutes of his morning show over to the young people, who last week covered taxes, drugs in schools and a variety of topics.

The Williams project has the blessing of school board chairman Peter Bann and superintendent Joe Chell.

What has stunned Mr. Williams and other adults interested in the show has been the articulate intelligence of the Grade 11 and 12 pupils.

Now the latest word is that students at the University of Victoria would also like time to air their views on the affairs of the day.

SCENE LATELY: Things are still happening at night, some of them for the better. Lenny Gibson is at the Red Lion knocking himself out in a fast song-and-dance routine. He is just back from Mexico, where he did a color film for du Pont. This weekend he gets a family critic for his Saturday show. Sister Thelma Gibson, who played Ken Hule's room recently, will be catching the act.

At John Olson's Old Forge it's Tom Sinclair on a return visit.

Miss Sinclair did not bother to change her material from her last show and the energy

she expends is rather a waste, because we all know what is coming next.

SOUND IDEA: The city musical community will honor University of Victoria president Malcolm Taylor and Mrs. Taylor for the effort they have put into the encouragement of music here over the past four years.

Director of the University's School of Fine Arts, Peter Garvie, says scholarships bearing their names will be established at the university and at the Victoria School of Music.

A special concert to start the endowment fund will be held at 8 p.m. April 9 in the education arts building.

Artists who will appear are Robin Wood, Gerald Hendrie, Hugh McLean, Jack Kessler, Ray Owens, John Avison, Camille Inkman and Ian Franklin.

A REASON: Manchester's genial contribution to the legislature, Ernie Hall, who sits for Surrey and the NDP, introduced Kay Dawson of Vancouver.

Miss Dawson and her partner, Barbara Lemec, plan to open a late-night spot in Vancouver to be called The Office. They have ideas for decor and theme for their room, but need a location.

At least it will answer the question: Where were you last night? At the Office.

Israeli Strike

From Page 1

behind his lines, a spokesman said.

Amman radio said Iraq and Kuwait had agreed to an urgent Arab summit conference requested by King Hussein.

CHARGES HURLED

In New York Israel and Jordan hurled charges of aggression at each other Thursday as the United Nations Security Council met urgently to consider the latest Middle East eruption which many here saw as a serious threat to the slow-moving peace efforts of UN envoy Gunnar Jarring.

Both also rebuked the council itself for not taking sterner measures against the other in events leading up to Thursday's most serious ceasefire violations in months.

The United States and the Soviet Union immediately joined the Arab states in condemning Israel, and the United Nations Security Council met in emergency session in New York City to debate the action.

DENUNCIATION

In Washington, the state department issued a strong official denunciation of Israel, saying the thrust into Jordanian territory was a damaging blow to hopes of settlement of the real issues troubling the area.

In Moscow, the government newspaper Izvestia charged that the raid was a premeditated aggressive act. And Pravda termed Israel's claim of Arab

terrorism a cover for aggressive Israeli intentions.

The withdrawal, under jet fighter cover, came after the Israeli army said it was certain what it described as an El Fatah terrorist base at Karamah, just inside Jordanian territory, had been neutralized. Bar-Lev reported the raiders also destroyed staging areas at Dahal, Feifa and Safi, from which Arab guerrillas were accused by Israel of launching terrorist attacks for the last six months.

JARRING ARRIVES

UN Secretary-General U Thant's Middle East mediator, Gunnar V. Jarring of Sweden, arrived in Jerusalem from his Cyprus base Thursday and went immediately into talks with Israel's foreign minister, Abba Eban.

Except for a 20-minute artillery exchange with Egyptian troops at Great Bitter Lake on the Suez Canal, the fighting was confined to Jordan, the Israeli command said.

King Hussein called for an immediate summit meeting of Arab leaders, in a bitter message. He said he was appealing to them "for the last time."

WARNING

"After today if you start hearing of us rather than from us it will be, by God, because of the delay in heeding our appeal."

President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt notified Hussein that he supported the summit idea.

Sudan and Lebanon were also reported to have agreed to a summit meeting.

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By JOSEPH MOLNER, MD

Dear Dr. Molner: In school a question on a true or false test was: "A person can stop smoking immediately with strong will power."

I always thought this was true, but in school they said it was false. I know many people try to quit and fail, but there are people who can put a pack of cigarettes down and never touch them again.

Please tell me whether the statement was true, — D.R.

I agree that the statement on the test should be answered as "true." Anyone can quit smoking—if he wants to hard enough.

On the other hand, there is no medical or other treatment which will make a person stop smoking UNLESS he wants to. I had a smoking problem

Your Good Health

myself. When my doctor told me to quit in December, 1962, I did so, then and there, and haven't had any problem on that score since.

Dear Dr. Molner: Can a hiatal hernia hemorrhage? About 10 days ago I had bleeding from the mouth five times in 10 hours, at times so bad it interfered with my breathing. My doctor thinks it was

coming from my esophagus. He advised me to go to the hospital but the bleeding stopped so I didn't go. — Mrs. J.H.

Yes, a hiatal hernia can develop an ulcer which can bleed—not that it is common with hiatal hernia. After all, a lot of people also have duodenal ulcers which don't necessarily bleed. But when they do, it is dangerous.

In hiatal hernia the bleeding can come from either the esophagus or the stomach. I'd say you were lucky that the bleeding stopped.

Even though you rejected your doctor's good advice to go to the hospital, I hope you will think again, and have X-rays to pin down the source of the bleeding.

If it happened once, it could happen again, and such hemorrhages can even be fatal.

The Weather

MARCH 22, 1968

Mainly cloudy with little change in temperature. Winds East 15. Thursday's precipitation nil; sunshine 36 minutes; recorded high and low at Victoria 57 and 45. Today's forecast high and low 52 and 45. Today's sunrise 6:12, sunset 6:30; moonrise 3:49, moonset 11:15.

East Coast of Vancouver Island—Mainly cloudy with a few showers this morning. Little change in temperature. Winds light. Thursday's precipitation nil; recorded high and low at Nanaimo 62 and 34. Forecast high and low 55 and 40.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Gale warning contin-

American Arms In Jordan Soon

WASHINGTON (UPI)—U.S. officials said Thursday the United States would resume sending American tanks, jets and artillery pieces to Jordan in the very near future despite the latest clash between Jordan and Israel.

ued. Cloudy with a few showers. Little change in temperature. Winds South 15 rising to Southeast 35 over exposed northern areas. Forecast high and low at Tofino 52 and 45.

North Coast—Cloudy with few showers. Little temperature change. Winds southeasterly 15 occasionally rising to southerly 35 over southern half.

Five-day outlook—Cooling at weekend with more rain than normal.

READING	Max.	Min.	Precip.
St. John's	34	22	.36
Fredericton	44	30	—
Halifax	46	29	—
Charlottetown	34	23	—
Montreal	41	32	.08
Ottawa	39	35	.14
Toronto	37	33	.08
Windsor	37	33	.08
Port Arthur	28	21	.01
Kenora	28	21	.01
Churchill	16	4	.08
Winnipeg	16	4	.08
Brandon	21	4	—
The Pas	22	15	—
Saskatoon	31	10	—
Regina	34	18	—
Prince Albert	31	1	—
North Battleford	28	12	—
Swift Current	37	18	—
Medicine Hat	50	21	—
Lethbridge	57	18	—
Calgary	58	21	—
Edmonton	58	25	—
Kimberley	56	19	—
Castlegar	59	28	—

Nanaimo	52	38	—
Vancouver	52	37	—
Salmon Arm	48	28	—
Grand Forks	54	26	—
Camloops	56	33	—
Penticton	58	28	—
Vernon	57	30	—
Comox	54	34	—
Portland	47	30	—
Prince Rupert	49	44	—
Port George	31	33	—
Fort St. John	46	16	—
Whitehorse	48	37	.02
Seattle	66	44	—
Portland	65	36	—
San Francisco	70	48	—
Los Angeles	77	58	—
Spokane	59	28	.08
Chicago	58	44	—
New York	55	32	—
Miami	77	61	—
Phoenix	72	57	—
Las Vegas	69	35	—
Albuquerque	79	57	Trace

TIMES AT VICTORIA (Pacific Standard Time)			
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24 06.40	8.09.05	7.08.05	7.08.15
25 06.50	7.08.05	6.07.05	6.07.10
26 06.58	6.07.25	6.07.25	6.07.25
27 07.05	5.07.15	5.07.15	5.07.15
TIMES AT PILLOW HARBOR (Pacific Standard Time)			
Time	HL	Time	HL
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21 06.35	10.04.05	10.07.25	10.07.30
22 06.50	10.07.10	9.06.45	9.07.30
23 07.10	11.06.50	8.07.10	8.07.40
24 07.15	10.07.10	8.07.10	8.07.40
25 07.45	10.07.10	7.07.10	7.07.40
26 07.45	10.07.10	6.07.10	6.07.40
27 07.45	10.07.10	6.07.10	6.07.40

Allied Drives Harass Reds

SAIGON (AP) — Southern allied forces are sweeping through hills, plains and jungles of South Vietnam in six wide-spread operations designed to seize the initiative from the Communists and so far 1,888 Viet Cong and North Viet-

namese have been killed, the U.S. command said Thursday. The command lifted a veil of secrecy from five drives ranging from near Saigon to the coastal plains 300 miles to the northeast.

Some began two months ago, before the Tet-lunar new year—offensive—Jan. 31.

BIGGEST DRIVE

Thousands of troops then had to be pulled out of the field to deal with the Viet Cong in the cities.

There are about 10,000 U.S. troops assigned to these operations. In a far larger sweep, 50,000 American and South Vietnamese soldiers since March 11 have been pressing the war's biggest drive around Saigon.

While the drives may keep the Communists off balance, there obviously have been no major

battles since the casualty figures are light for such a long operation.

FEWER DEAD

The slackened pace of the fighting was reflected by the U.S. command report that fewer Americans and Communists were killed last week than in previous weeks. The toll was 336 Americans and 3,370 Communists killed, compared with 509 and 5,168 last week.

The five operations, which have cost the United States 94 dead and 337 wounded, are as follows from north to south:

- On the Beng Son coastal

plain, 300 miles northeast of Saigon, where a North Vietnamese regiment has been operating.

- Around An Khe, big U.S. military base in the central highlands.

- North of the coastal provincial capital of Phan Thiet, overrun by the Viet Cong. Phan Thiet is 100 miles east of Saigon.

- Near headquarters of the U.S. 1st Infantry and 101st Airborne Division 29 miles north-east of Saigon.

- Around the Bien Hoa-Long Binh headquarters of the U.S. Army in South Vietnam 15 miles northeast of Saigon.

Declaration Of War On Way?

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — President Johnson said Thursday the U.S. is determined to win "peace with honor" in Vietnam, and the White House denied reports he is considering asking Congress for a declaration of war against North Vietnam.

Senator Edward Brooke (Rep. Mass.) said this week he understood the president was preparing to seek a declaration of war.

Woman Cong Slain

TOKYO (UPI) — A high-ranking woman Viet Cong leader was executed during the Jan. 31 fighting in Saigon, the Hanoi news agency said Friday.

When the Communist general offensive began the night of Jan. 31 Madame Le Thi Rieng and other Viet Cong captives were packed into a truck, driven to deserted Hong Bang street in Saigon and executed by machine gun fire.

The Viet Cong charged that the bodies were then taken to a morgue where it was reported that they had been killed by Communist gunfire.

New President

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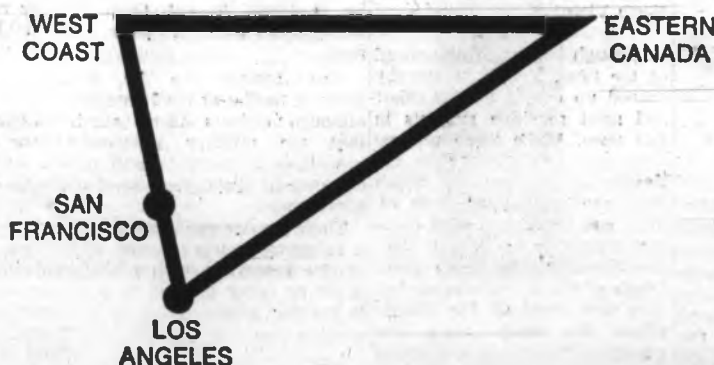
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Apartheid

BECAUSE APARTHEID, which is a simple Afrikaans word meaning apartism, is the term used by South Africa to describe its government policy of keeping black and white South Africans apart politically and socially by law, it has, to the outside world become the dirtiest nine-letter word in the international dictionary.

In Canada and the United States, for instance, apartheid—meaning the policy—has been frequently condemned as being inhuman, despicable, evil, un-Christian, damned, vicious and an affront to democracy.

Yet, oddly enough, for all these plausibly indignant pronouncements both Canadians and Americans seem willing to condone the practice of apartheid in their own countries under their own laws. And even more remarkable than this is the fact that large and vociferous minorities in both countries are now openly advocating that such a policy is both necessary and desirable.

Dealing for the moment with existing apartheid in Canada, a better example could not be cited than that of the Supreme Court of Canada's recent decision to uphold the action of a large company in its firing of a white employee because he fraternized with Eskimos.

The company defended its stand because the employee signed a contract agreement which said: "Indian and Eskimo villages are considered out of bounds and the personnel are prohibited from fraternization or association with the native populations except in special circumstances. Infringement of these orders is cause for discharge..."

The court—despite the Canadian Bill of Rights and our government's ardent championing of democratic freedoms and much publicized abhorrence of apartheid—supported the company in its ruling.

So much for our present hypocrisy over apartheid. But what of our future? Surely it cannot be denied that the leaders of Quebec separatists—many of whom are held in high regard as idealists and patriots even in Ottawa—are doing nothing less than demanding apartheid for Canada: that is, the political and social separation of French and English speaking Canadians.

Indeed, so ardent are they to bring this policy about that they hope to overtake the South African apartheid development by creating an instant Bantustan in Canada, this being a separate state (as it is in South Africa) which would have complete autonomy but which would retain certain political and trade links with the central government.

Similar pressures are now being applied to Washington by militant Negro nationalists who have demanded that five Southern states be recreated as a separate black nation. This nation, they say, would form its own alliances and would have a government with division of powers as set forth in the U.S. Constitution.

Some validity has been given this line of thought by the somewhat stark conclusion reached in the report by the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders which was made public last month.

"Our nation," the report states, "is moving toward two societies, one black, one white—separate and unequal... To pursue our present course will involve the continuing polarization of the American community and, ultimately, the destruction of basic democratic values."

How odd it is that our two great North American democracies, after years of vilifying the South African racist policy of apartheid, should now be forced to give serious thought to its application here.

Odder still is the thought that both our governments would now be honest enough to admit that apartheid already exists—in its worst form—in both our countries.

Or is apartheid only evil when it is practised in South Africa?

New School Formula

WITHOUT MORE detailed explanation than they have been given so far, the proposed amendments to the Public Schools Act concerning education costs must leave British Columbia property-owners baffled about their prospects as local taxpayers, and parents equally puzzled about the advantages or disadvantages to their children.

Certain of the changes can be commended at once. Earlier information for the school boards on the amount of revenue they can expect to have in the year ahead will mean easier and more certain planning and budgeting. Instead of having to guess until mid-year about the effect of costs upon the mill-rate, the boards in future will know in early December, according to Education Minister Leslie Peterson.

Further, under a simplified provincial operating grants formula, the trustees will be able to work out in the fall how much money they should be receiving from the government in the next year for a basic education program. And the boards will receive "lump-sum" grants enabling them to decide for themselves, to a greater degree, how the funds will be spent.

But there is no firm indication whether the new system will mean rising local school taxes and a dwindling provincial share, or vice versa, or stability. On one hand the minister says the new formula accounts for some of the \$19,000,000 increase in school grants budgeted for the coming year—growth in enrolment being another factor. On the other the formula is said to ensure that the aggregate cost of the basic education program in any year "will not be less than 90 per cent" of all approved expenditures—meaning approved and shared by the province—of the previous calendar year.

What seems clear at this point is that if the school trustees want to go beyond the basic education program in which the province shares, the onus is more definitely going to be on them for doing so: more responsibility for rising school taxation will appear to rest on them than on the provincial government. They may freely impose additional local taxation to cover expenditures up to 10 per cent above the basic program. Beyond that, additional cost and local taxation would have to be approved by securing the assent of the affected councils, by presenting a bylaw for the assent of the taxpayers, or if a bylaw is impractical by obtaining cabinet approval.

We stand to be corrected when more detail is forthcoming, but for the time being the impression is that what Mr. Peterson is offering in this regard is more local autonomy, real in some respects and illusory in others, at a higher local price. Depending entirely on how realistic the "basic education program" proves to be, the school system may or may not suffer as a result.



"I can't understand all this fuss over a money crisis, WE'VE had one every week for the last twenty years..."

The Israeli Arab and the Jew

Resentful Minority Complains Of 'a Prison Without Bars'

IN the bitter aftermath of the Israeli-Arab war and the pre-occupations with seeking a political solution, little thought has been given to the Israeli Arab—the Palestinian who has lived under Israeli rule for the past 20 years.

In Jerusalem, in the occupied West Bank, in the Gaza Strip, Palestinians who have known occupation only for eight months claim that Israeli behavior has convinced them that it is impossible for Arabs and Jews to live together. For a total period, after the war last June, some of these people who had known and lived with Jews in the past believed it might be possible, when passions had died down, to establish a modus vivendi. Today, the militant Muslim or Christian Arab—with the exception of a handful of collaborators—deems it impossible. Israeli Arab behavior after the cease-fire has shocked, hurt and humiliated them beyond endurance or forgiveness, they claim.

Have the Israelis really failed irrevocably? It is difficult to take the word for it of people who have not yet recovered from the shock of defeat and are also suffering the psychological, emotional and economic effects of "enemy" occupation. The answer is to be found in the Arab towns and villages incorporated into Israel 20 years ago, after the first Israeli-Arab war in 1948.

About 300,000 Palestinian Arabs—labeled Israeli Arabs—have lived under Israeli rule, completely cut off from the Arab world and influence. How do they feel today?

My first contacts with them in Jerusalem were negative. They were bank clerks, shopkeepers and taxi-drivers who preferred not to talk of what they called "politics." But in the towns and villages of Galilee people spoke freely as soon as they were reassured that I was not "from Israel."

I visited the area at a particularly sensitive moment, a few days after 60 "intellectuals"—doctors, lawyers, writers—in Nazareth and Haifa had been placed under surveillance by the military authority and confined to the town boundaries. These measures were taken after Israeli Arabs had described to East Jerusalemites living conditions under Israeli rule. "Second-class citizenship in a prison without bars" was one of the descriptions given to me.

With bitter humor, Israeli Arabs speak of the present phase of Israeli occupation of territories conquered last June as the "honeymoon period." Nazareth, Tiberias, Haifa, Acre—annexed in 1948—were subjected to the same repressive and demoralizing measures as those practised today in the West Bank, Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem.

Under emergency laws—immediately after the war—and later through the Land Acquisition Law of 1953, Israel confiscated more than 40,000 acres of Arab cultivated land and orchards, and expropriated 20 villages in Galilee. Under the law of "absentee ownership" some 35,000 Israeli Arabs who had sought refuge during the fighting outside their towns or villages, but within Israeli territory, were prevented from returning. Deprived of their land, the fellahs were forced

By IRENE REESON
from Amman, Jordan

to accept work as unskilled laborers, building roads or working in Jewish factories and settlements.

"Life for the Arab unskilled laborer working for Israelis was reasonably comfortable from the material point of view," an Arab lawyer from Haifa said. "He was paid the same rate as his Israeli fellow laborer, worked the same number of hours. But equality stopped there. Israeli Arab-Christian or Muslim—were prisoners in their towns or villages. Each town or village was cut off from the rest by a rigid military order restricting the movements of Israeli Arabs."

"Once a year," said a Christian engineer, of Nazareth, "we were allowed to go to Jerusalem for the Christmas pilgrimage. Brief glimpses of heaven between long stretches of life in jail."

For the Israeli Arab middle and professional classes, life under Israeli rule was one of frustration and humiliation, ending, in thousands of cases, in emigration to the United States or Canada.

The Israeli Arabs claim that while they may attend the same schools as Israeli Jews, few are accepted at the Hebrew University. They say discrimination in employment limits the field for Arab graduates to teaching or secondary posts in the administration. They claim political rights, granted equally to all Israeli citizens by the country's constitution, exist only on paper for the Arab population.

Israeli Arabs represent more than 10 per cent of the country's population. But only six Arabs sit in the parliament of 120 seats, and they must be elected as members of Jewish parties.

Unlikely Haven

Hippies for Laos

HIppies have found an unlikely new haven in war-torn Laos.

Long-haired flower children are reported flocking to the ancient kingdom, lured by a carefree way of life and the hope of easy access to opium and marijuana. The hippie colony, mostly British, German, French, and American, has been called the largest in Asia.

Laos is a small nation of gentle people who live simple lives amid poppy fields and gilded temples. Even so, Laos has been caught up in the 20th century crossroads of the East-West struggle, says the National Geographic Society.

Communist-backed rebels, as in South Vietnam, have mounted major offensives against Royal Lao troops, thus threatening the neutralist government supported by the United States.

Laos is surrounded by Red China, Communist North Vietnam, South Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, and Burma. In less troubled days, it was known as the "Land of a Million Elephants."

The spoon-shaped nation is less a country than an archipelago of small lush river valleys cut off from one another by steep mountains and bamboo jungles. Communication is primitive, by

They are, therefore, not in a position to protect Arab rights and interests.

Bitter hatred and passionate feelings of nationalism apparently lie close to the surface. Immediately before the June war, it was it seems the humiliated, dispirited mass of the uneducated Israeli Arabs who believed fervently, and longed most fiercely for the "war of liberation." After years of silence, and made bold by the slogans of Cairo's "Voice of the Arabs," they gave full vent to their suppressed feelings and hopes.

The Arab defeat put back the clock 20 years for them, reviving their passions for Palestine, made one again under total Israeli occupation.

"In 20 years of occupation, the Israelis have made it clear beyond doubt that a Zionist state cannot survive in the context of the Arab world," an Arab writer said.

"In those 20 years they have not sought in any way a rapprochement with us. They have shown no interest in trying to understand the Arab mentality and psychology. Jews and Arabs have lived segregated—two countries in one land."

He pointed to the massive concrete buildings of the Israeli new Nazareth, on the crest of the hill, foreign and aloof, overshadowing the small Arab town in the valley.

"Palestinian Arabs always lived peacefully together with Palestinian Jews," he added, "until Europe committed the historical error of creating Israel. Far from restoring, between Arabs and Jews, the normal relations that existed before the Balfour Declaration of 1917, Israeli occupation has sown between them the first seeds of antisemitism, a disease hitherto unknown in the Arab world."

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For Spy Ships

Three Dismal Events

By MARQUE CHILDS

HIS unflinching habit of mentioning the unmentionable sends Sen. J. William Fulbright's critics into spasms of rage. He outdid himself the other day in a television interview by mentioning a subject buried deep as though by the common consent of all concerned.

This was after the Senate foreign relations committee in an investigation of the Tonkin Gulf incident had developed new facts casting doubt on the report presented by Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara in August, 1963. The initial report led to the Tonkin Gulf resolution which the state department has since said was equivalent to a declaration of war.

The unhappy record of the American spy ships now includes the Pueblo, seized by North Korea while engaged in "surveillance" off the Korean coast. So far as can be judged from news reports, release of the crew and the ship is no nearer today than when it was taken in what the Pentagon has steadfastly maintained was international waters.

It was the dead spy ship tragedy—the attack on the Liberty by Israeli planes and motor torpedo boats during the Arab-Israeli war in June—that Fulbright mentioned. Nothing was done, Fulbright said in the interview, when the Liberty was attacked, 34 men aboard killed outright, 78 injured and the ship all but destroyed. Yet, he went on, when the Maddox and the Turner Joy suffered no damage from an attack obscured by uncertainties the United States responded by ordering 64 air sorties with an enormous tonnage of bombs flown against North Vietnam.

Although it was hardly noticed at the time, Fulbright thereby opened up one of the touchiest and most sensitive subjects in this town. While there was no American response in the middle of a war in which American sympathies, both official and unofficial, were overwhelmingly on the Israeli side, developments since have given details of the circumstances but have not resolved the doubts within the navy about the attack.

A summary of the proceedings noted that the court was not called "to rule on the culpability of the attackers and no evidence was heard from the attacking nation."

The Israeli government apologized and offered to pay compensation for the damage done. An Israeli military-judicial court conducted an inquiry. In accord with Israeli custom the findings have never been made public.

Fulbright obviously believes that the issue is not blame or lack of it, but the whole question of the operation of the espionage ships. They now have three strikes against them. The first instance, the Maddox and the Turner Joy, triggered a war against North Vietnam. The second, the Liberty, opened a wound and clouded a close relationship. The third, the Pueblo, precipitated a crisis with demands for still another war. The question is: What do they contribute to write off against this large debt?

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Surprise to Britain

Persian Gulf Rulers Now Plan Federation

By J. D. F. JONES from London

BRITAIN'S announcement of withdrawal from East of Suez by the end of 1971 certainly seems to have succeeded in concentrating the minds of the rulers of the small Arab states on the future.

These Arab rulers, of the tribe of Arabia, ruled by colorful sheikhs, seemed to rely heavily on the assistance of the protecting power of Britain. When Britain went, who could believe that they would survive?

Clearly, in these circumstances, the British government could not amend a fundamental policy decision; it could, and did, suggest that the knowledge of the 1971 deadline—the certainty of the loss of British protection—would be the best incentive to the peoples of the Persian Gulf to shelve their differences and get together to work out how best they could stand on their own feet.

And the result has been astonishing.

From the moment the British decision was announced the sheikhs have been travelling up and down the Gulf, visiting each other and the result, announced only a matter of weeks after the British announcement, was an agreement to set up a "federation of the Arab emirates," to come into effect on March 31.

No one has been more taken aback by this than the British themselves. Their representatives on the spot have been all the more surprised because they were so well aware of the traditional enmity of some of these leaders and because, in the past, they had usually been so closely involved in the policy decisions of the rulers.

For years the British had been vainly suggesting that closer co-operation would make economic and political sense. Yet when it came to the actual decision to set up a federation the British played no role at all in the meetings.

Of course, the speed of this development is itself a warning. There has obviously been no time to set up a sophisticated federal organization and all that the rulers have done so far has been to issue what amounts to a statement of intent; the details will have to be filled in later.

The "Arab emirates" fall into three groups. First, there are the two leading members of the "Trucial States" (that is, the group of seven tiny states which have similar treaty relationships with Britain)—Abu Dhabi and Dubai.

Abu Dhabi has suddenly become famous as the "richest state on earth" because it has been transformed from poverty and obscurity in a couple of years by oil resources which this year will bring the 30,000 population revenues of some \$70 million (\$12 million).

This is the scene of the Middle East's biggest oil bonanza since Kuwait kept into the millionaire class and must mean that the ruler, Sheikh Zaid, will expect—because he pays most of the bills—to have the first voice in any federal grouping.

For the moment the longer-established Dubai must take second place. Dubai is the commercial capital of the lower Gulf. Its prosperity is founded on the smuggling of more than \$250 million (\$130 million) worth of gold a year to countries further east.

But respectability is not far away now that oil has been discovered in quantities that look more and more exciting. These two, Abu Dhabi and Dubai, and their rulers, Sheikh Zaid and Sheikh Rashid, are the ones to watch. They set the ball rolling with their announcement of a union between themselves a week or two before the announcement of the wider grouping.

The other five Trucial states, Sharjah, Fujairah, Ajman, Ras Al-Khaimah and Umm Al-Quwain (the independent sultanate of Muscat, which lies on the Indian Ocean outside the Gulf, is not involved in these plans) are all so tiny and poverty-stricken that they will have to rely on the assistance of their two rich cousins and cannot have much of a say in the affairs of the federation which it is obviously in their interests to join.

But the most interesting aspect of this new grouping—and one which is so significant that it makes one wonder whether the federation can hope to work effectively—is the addition of Bahrain and Qatar in the signatories.

The Trucial states are one thing; Britain has always tried to encourage just political and economic development. The worry has been not whether they should get together—which was obvious—but whether they would shelve their arguments about waterholes and the like long enough to try. And whether, when Britain left, they would resume their traditional feuding and warring.

The complication with Qatar is that this is an older oil sheikhdom, bigger, more independent, with a different relationship with Britain and far more advanced with the outside world.

Although Qatar has occasionally given aid to the Trucial states, it has remained something of an odd-man-out.

Bahrain is still more of a separate case. This island is more sophisticated, more developed—the traditional business, military and communications centre of the Gulf.

And, most important of all, Bahrain is claimed by the Iranians.

At this point the parochial problems of setting up a sensible grouping of the tiny and unstable Arab sheikhdoms become part of the wider strategic issues of the Gulf. The British withdrawal raises the important question of who is to "fill the vacuum."

The answer—in the British view—is in the co-operation of the states surrounding the Gulf. At one stage, of course, this implies the co-operation of the Arab sheikhdoms. But it also involves the larger powers—Iran, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait.

It is here that the diplomats are going to find their greatest difficulties over the next three years. But Britain hopes they will be allowed to work out their own destinies without interference from the world outside.

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McNamara Laughed

Generals Long Ago Advised Big Stick

By L. EDGAR PRIMA from Washington

WHILE Gen. William C. Westmoreland may eventually get the 200,000 additional troops—and then some—he is said to have requested recently, he is likely to get them in increments over a year or more.

This appears to be the growing feeling at the Pentagon, although officers there admit that the military manpower requirements study is still under way at the highest level of government.

There is more and more talk of a staggered callup of army and marine reservists, with perhaps 50,000 or fewer ordered to duty in the first step.

Such a plan, if adopted instead of a major mobilization, would cushion the impact on the federal budget, lessen the concern of international bankers on the solidity of the dollar and perhaps be politically more palatable at home. It would also give the Pentagon time to procure the arms, vehicles and equipment a large new force of fighting men would need.

Although the reported request from Westmoreland, the over-all U.S. commander in Vietnam, may have jolted some members of Congress, members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff long ago advised Robert S. McNamara, then defence secretary, that to finish the job in Southeast Asia would take upwards of 750,000 and perhaps as many as a million men.

"The Joint Chiefs told McNamara that it would take 500,000 American troops to preserve an independent South Vietnam and end the Communist aggression," an army general said. "But McNamara laughed in their faces."

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Analysis Leads to Frightening Conclusion

Nuclear War Danger Now at Highest Point

By WILLIAM H. WILLSON
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The probability of nuclear war in this decade is at the highest point since the dawn of the atomic age. Although the Vietnam war could lead directly to nuclear exchange, settlement of this dangerous conflict is not likely to reduce the overall odds.

In 1948 after the Hiroshima and Nagasaki experiences, world apprehension over nuclear weapons affected every international situation. The fear of war by accident caused nations to avoid military confrontations no matter how frenzied the politics of the cold war became.

While the probability of nuclear or megawar was significant, great care was taken to avoid conflicts of the Korean and Vietnam scale.

Similarly, frantic effort was made to isolate and contain what I shall call miniwar situations such as the Middle East which involve the territories of small nations and the interests of major powers.

By 1958, we had survived the Korean confrontation without the feared detonation of nuclear weapons. The major powers were still committed to a policy of nuclear retaliation, but public opinion was no longer obsessed with the H-Bomb. The world began to believe that total war could not occur.

Still there were ominous signs. The number of incidents or "miniwar" situations increased in frequency. The breaking up of the old empires and the sudden emergence of new nations multiplied the number of conflict points. Thus, the probability of a Korean-type war became as great a possibility in 1958 as the smaller miniwars had been in 1948.

Subtle, Dramatic Turn

Today, the situation has taken a subtle and dramatic turn. The number of new nations is still expanding and the number of nations possessing nuclear weapons continues to increase.

Military adventurism has grown and 1968 reveals not only an acceptance that the Vietnam and Korean wars are of a "safe level," but nuclear weapons are being viewed as a solution to desperate military and political predicaments.

The possibility that there is one more step before nuclear war — a world war of conventional weapons — no longer exists. The defence of Europe and the ultimate defence of American forces in Vietnam are already predicated on the use of tactical nuclear weapons.

It is an illusion to believe that tactical and strategic nuclear weapons permit a new intermediate plateau of belligerence. Given the present state of the public mind, they cannot be differentiated. The psychological consequences alone that would result from the use of any nuclear weapon, however limited, militates against such thinking.

In 1968 then, the probability of wars like Vietnam leading to nuclear war has risen sharply. And we may soon expect that even miniwar situations will contribute to the pressure on this upward trend.

To understand the forces compelling this 30-year progression toward destruction, certain basic assumptions of human behavior must be pointed out.

Not Guided by Facts

The actions of men are not guided by facts but by the interpretation men place on the facts. Since the beginning of human history, decisions on issues have been complicated by ethics, a concept of virtue fighting vice. This is universal, and the particular moral concepts that have governed and incited human antagonisms are relevant to each war situation throughout history.

Tribal life produced conflicts over food and possession but the rationale for the quarrels exceeded the mere problem of distributing limited resources.

When man discovered the economy of co-operation, conflict was enlarged to include the protection of lands and cultures. But the rationale of "good" overwhelming "evil" remained the same.

Later, man's pugnacity was transferred to still larger groups in the form of cohesive empires, but the battles were still fought in the name of God and virtue.

This movement toward larger social groupings might have evolved into the kind of global community that World Federalists speak of, but it was complicated by ethical beliefs that crossed national borders — religion, ideology, race, economics.

The transfer of animosity from state to sect produced the religious wars. The 20th century witnessed competing ideologies, struggles between democracy and fascism, capitalism and Communism.

Race is a growing source of friction, as is the gap between wealth and poor nations and peoples. The poor see the rich as powerful and evil, and the rich see the poor as lazy and evil.

Only Excuses Change

It can be seen that while the excuses for conflict change, the driving force remains man's inclination to attribute real problems to the evil objectives of other men.

In an era that has produced its own unique changes, the concept of "righteous" policies instead of consideration of competing alternatives must inevitably lead to total war. Those who have been able to see beyond the ideological conflicts of the day have pointed to these immediate conditions that influence the probability of war:

• Man in the machine age is experiencing individual personality conflicts between the dehumanizing demands of the machine and his spiritual and creative nature.

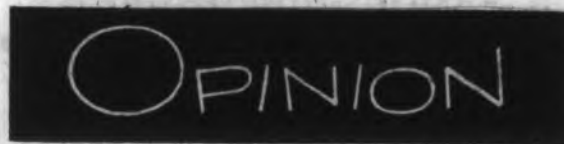
• Nationalism has been diluted by a polarization of social groups and antipathy between these groups. This reduces the number of issues on which national unity can be achieved.

CONCLUSION: The nuclear power of the world is in the hands of societies under the greatest pressure of these two forces.

• The interdependency of world trade prevents advanced nations from isolating themselves from one another in order to achieve internal unity and stability. Their prosperity depends on it.

• The failure of the money tool to provide a satisfactory means of distributing the surplus of affluent societies and the vulnerability of free enterprise to disruption has become apparent.

CONCLUSION: Nuclear power can be applied in any



direction and for any reason, depending upon what group holds the trigger and what it sees as its vital interest.

But the overriding factor that makes turmoil and conflict a certainty in human events of the future is the pressure of population. The other problems can be solved with time. The population problem denies us this time.

In the last century, the population of the world increased by a greater amount than the total in the previous 19 centuries. Today this pressure is relentless and it raises the probability of nuclear war in two ways.

First, if the struggle of underprivileged masses seeking survival continues to be seen as a struggle between respective ideologies, nuclear war could occur when one nation

finds its situation so frustrating that in anger it strikes out at a nuclear enemy, either real or imagined.

Second, the misconceptions that have prevented the affluent powers from acting in concert to limit world population could result in their launching nuclear strikes against the masses when no other means of relieving the pressure is available.

There is a third possibility. The degeneration of the societies which now control nuclear power could result in paralysis which could preclude any attempt to stem the consuming peoples. Thus, there could be a return to the dark ages, with the virtual certainty of nuclear weapons falling into even less responsible hands.

We have a situation of power in unstable hands, complicated by traditional misconceptions and false doctrines, further complicated by the rapidly deepening crisis of population increase.

The easing of the population problem is the main prerequisite to a return of the war probability graph to something approaching the 1938 curve.

Not one, but a number of miracles must occur for this to take place and the most optimistic philosopher would be hard put to see any sign of even a little miracle.

Setback for Mideast Peace Hopes

Israeli Action May Cost Hussein Jordan's Throne

By JOSEPH W. GRIGG
from London

Israel's latest punitive attack against Jordan probably has killed any prospects of Mideast peace in the foreseeable future. It could well cost Jordan's King Hussein his throne.

The attack was no surprise to Mideastern experts in Britain. Signs of impending major trouble have been boiling up for weeks.

Once again, as in the past, the cause of the fighting was repeated terrorist operations against Israel by Arab commando squads operating from Jordan territory. These squads belong to the fanatical Al-Fatah organization, which is pledged to carry on the struggle against Israel regardless of the cease-fire at the end of the six-day war last June.

The commandos, according to Israeli information, are made up mainly of Syrians, Iraqis and Palestinian refugees. There are very few Jordanian Arabs among them.

But they operate from Jordanian territory, hitting at Israel across the Jordan river and pulling back before the small Israeli screening forces holding the cease-fire line can intercept them.

The most serious of these recent commando operations was the mining of a road in the southern Negev near the Israeli Red Sea port of Eilat.



Hussein

An Israeli bus carrying many school children, ran over the mine and several occupants, including one child, were killed and wounded.

Not surprisingly, the incident touched off a wave of anger in Israel.

The Israelis have a record over the years of striking back massively in reprisal operations. Outstanding examples were the shelling of the Suez oil refineries in reprisal for Egypt's sinking of an Israeli destroyer Eilat last October and the massive Israeli attack against two Jordanian villages in November, 1966, following earlier commando operations from Jordanian territory.

Israelis do not put the blame for these commando operations on King Hussein. In fact, it is a known fact that the king has tried to prevent their being launched from Jordanian territory.

But his own position both in Jordan and in the Arab world is shaky. When the king some weeks ago made a public declaration calling for an end to Arab commando operations from his territory, his appeal was promptly countermanded by his own prime minister Bahlul Talbouni.

The reason for Hussein's inability to control the situation are clear.

More than 750,000 Palestinian refugees from a powerful, discredited group in his

tiny kingdom of less than 2-500,000. They were augmented by more than 150,000 refugees who fled from the Israeli-occupied west bank area to unoccupied Eastern Jordan during and immediately after the June war.

The Palestinians have never accepted Hussein's policies of trying to seek peace with Israel.

Hussein also is under constant heavy pressure from his more militant neighbors Syria, Iraq and the United Arab Republic.

Observers in Britain and Israel believe Hussein personally would conclude a separate peace with Israel tomorrow — if he dared. But they also are convinced that Egypt, Syria and Iraq — not to mention the Palestinians in Jordan itself — would not let him get away with it.

Whatever the outcome of Israel's latest punitive operation, it is thought certain to weaken Hussein's position still further.

Militarily, Jordan is no match for Israel. Her 70,000-man army lost half of its finest troops and most of its equipment in the June war. The Jordanian air force was destroyed in June and Israel has complete command of the air.

A punishing defeat for Hussein would be another shattering blow to Arab pride. Experts here believe the Arabs may make a scapegoat of the king. The shrapnel could, indeed, cost him his throne.

Quotable Quotes!

The younger members of our society are not different from what they have always been . . . When there were only two young people, Cain and Abel, one of them was a delinquent.—Lord Aberdare.

The point is not what Hamel and the Americans are doing to other human beings in Vietnam; it is also the feeling that young people have today that they will not live to 50. That, I suggest, is not unreasonable at all.—Lord Gardiner.

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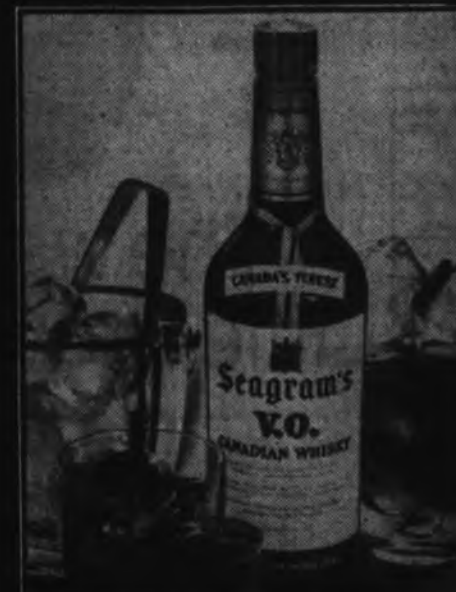
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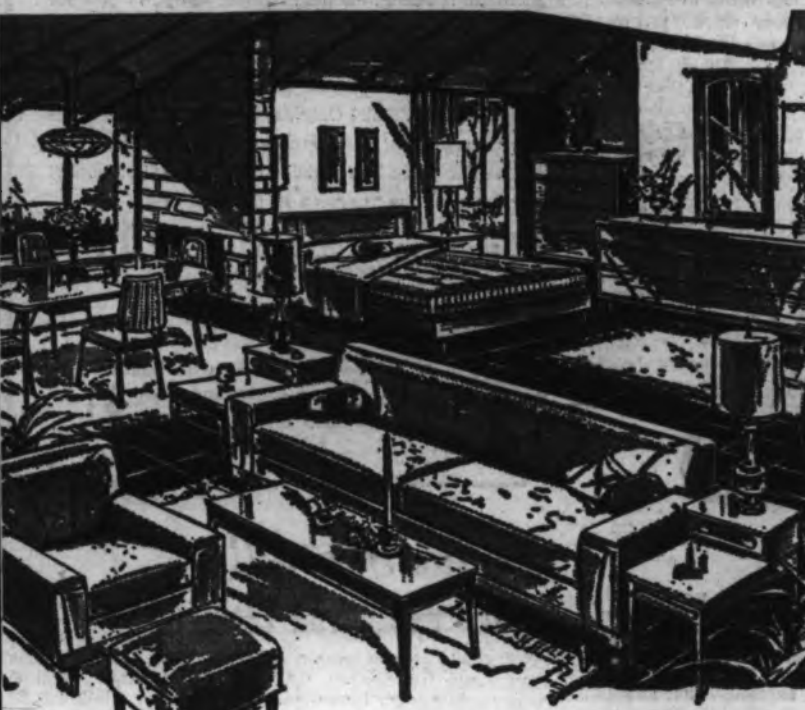
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Gene, Bobby Split Student Press

AP, From New York

A survey of U.S. college newspapers shows that editorial endorsements in the Democratic presidential race are predominantly split between Senators Robert F. Kennedy of New York and Eugene J. McCarthy of Minnesota.

The editorials are in agreement in urging the defeat of President Johnson.

Editorial comments vary from calling Kennedy's entrance into the campaign a "malicious display of political opportunism"—Daily Illini,

University of Illinois—to praising Kennedy as someone who can return the U.S. to the "ideals of the New Frontier"—The Spectrum, New York State University at Buffalo.

The New Frontier was a liberal program first espoused by president John F. Kennedy, Robert's brother who was assassinated in 1963.

McCarthy was praised for breaking "the somber barriers of apathy . . . and giving hope to a Democratic party which was rapidly becoming a detached, atrophied clique of

party hacks.—The Daily Princetonian, Princeton University.

Even newspapers which supported Kennedy had praise for McCarthy.

The Harvard Crimson gave its endorsement to Kennedy, a Harvard graduate. It expressed admiration for the "courageous" McCarthy but urged him "to step aside in favor of Kennedy who offers the best hope of winning."

The daily newspaper, however, in a tradition-breaking move, published the minority opinion of its editorial board

which said: "In the present circumstances, Eugene McCarthy can best finish what Eugene McCarthy has started."

In Wisconsin where McCarthy now is campaigning, three major college newspapers are supporting the Minnesota Democrat.

Political observers are closely following student opinions in the election after youthful supporters were credited with an influential part in McCarthy's strong showing in the March 12 New Hampshire primary election.

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Strachan, Perrault: 'Quit cabinet'

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Not Enough

would make it more difficult to obtain additional information because the minister would no longer be answerable on the floor of the house.

He added: "The public must be reassured that every effort will be made to ascertain the complete facts and, if necessary, that appropriate action will be taken in the interests of the citizens of B.C."

Premier Bennett, when asked by reporters whether a judicial inquiry would be ordered, said: "I think there should be an inquiry into all these federal ministers using private aircraft to fly around the country."

Attorney-General Robert Bonner, when the same question was put to him later, indicated he would not appoint a judicial inquiry.

He was also asked if consideration was being given to laying of any charges involving alleged acceptance

of benefits by Mr. Gaglardi or members of the minister's family. Mr. Bonner's reply was that he didn't think there was any basis for such consideration.

Said Mr. Perrault: "The attorney-general didn't distinguish himself in the Somers case, nor has he in this. He should take the opportunity to answer the cancer of doubt that remains in the public mind, through a judicial inquiry."

The man who started raising questions this session about "road-runners" creating huge profits for land speculators along major highways in the province wasn't impressed by the government's action.

Said Alex Macdonald (NDP-Vancouver East): "A changing of the guard within the cabinet doesn't put an end to the legitimate questions in people's minds about the practices and policies the whole government has been approving."

Mr. Macdonald stressed that his statement wasn't a personal attack on the minister, but rather an attack on the practices and policies of the government.

Gordon Dowling (NDP-Burnaby Edmonds) said that since Mr. Gaglardi had resigned, the public accounts committee should be opened up — through a motion of the legislature — and authorized to hold public meetings for the examination of information "that this government has carefully suppressed for years."

World In Brief

BERLIN (AP) — Four Communist jet fighters zoomed over West Berlin and MIGs were also reported seen in the air corridors connecting the city with West Germany, a British spokesman reported. The spokesman said the reports were being investigated.

NOME, Alaska (AP) — A student pilot was killed here when he became caught by bad weather and crashed while trying to follow another plane to safety. He was Jackson Putney, 34.

CALCUTTA (UPI) — Police opened fire to quell clashes between Hindus and Moslems in two districts of Calcutta where the communities are mixed. Police reports said three persons were killed. A dusk-to-dawn curfew was imposed on the two districts.

KAMPALA, Uganda (Reuters) — Eight hundred students stoned and broke the windows of the British high commission building in an anti-Rhodesia demonstration. As armed police stood by, undergraduates from Makerere University college changed an effigy of Rhodesian Premier Ian Smith outside the high commission.



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Gaglardi: I'm Last of Dying Breed

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wanted me as a minister without portfolio. I told him that as he had been so kind and loyal to me constantly that I would do anything for him.

"I have no regrets. I have worked with a dedication and determination that have brought to a conclusion some of the most fantastic projects the province of British Columbia has ever seen and, I venture to say, will ever see.

"What I have accomplished has been for the people of B.C. Now I can take a little time to do some fishing."

Hour's Chat

Mr. Gaglardi chatted for perhaps an hour with reporters in his office. He sat behind a large desk on top of which was a scale model of the Lear executive jet, pride of the government air fleet he once ran. A smaller model of the same plane stood in a corner of the office.

On the desk was a large leather-bound Bible. Several times during the interview his phones — hidden

beneath the desk, one bright red and the other yellow — rang as friends and supporters called to wish him well. At one stage he used both phones at once.

Health Topic

He talked a great deal of the press and its "ceaseless hounding of me" but although pale and clearly under considerable emotional stress, he spoke without bitterness.

The other main topic, naturally, was his health.

"I've been away (from the House) a long time. The doctor said to stay away. But in my quiet hours I've done an awful lot of thinking.

"I've been 16 years now in a job (he was first appointed public works minister in 1952 and became highways minister in 1955) where I think I've accomplished a fantastic amount. I've done a big job. I've done a good job and I have no regrets, none whatever."

"My health is certainly something that I have to consider. But health isn't a consideration

entirely in this situation, entirely."

Mr. Gaglardi said his doctor told him he had a health problem because he was "getting over a major operation."

(Earlier this session, he entered a Vancouver hospital for a two-day stay after surgery for removal of part of his lower jaw and an impacted tooth. He recuperated at home and last week, after a brief appearance in the legislature, went to Vancouver after saying his jaw condition had been aggravated.

'Too Much Bone'

(He told reporters again Thursday there was no evidence of malignancy.) "My health problem, I imagine, is that I'm too strong. I have too much bone in my head, so they took some of it out."

Mr. Gaglardi told the reporters in his office he didn't resign

because he considered his action had made him a detriment to the government, but rather because "I might not be the benefit I should."

Nothing Wrong

"I've never done anything wrong ... not that I'm aware of. I have a positive, straightforward, honest answer for everything.

"The only thing I know that could have been wrong was to let my daughter-in-law fly down (to Dallas) in the airplane. That was my decision. She didn't want to go because she thought it might hurt me.

"But the way the press has been trying to pan me, 99 per

cent misrepresentation and all innuendo. Man, you just can't beat that."

Mr. Gaglardi said his doctor didn't want him to pilot the highways department estimates through the House at this time.

"When the newspapers are constantly doing so much damage to me, it wouldn't matter what I said or how I presented my story. It seems to be way."

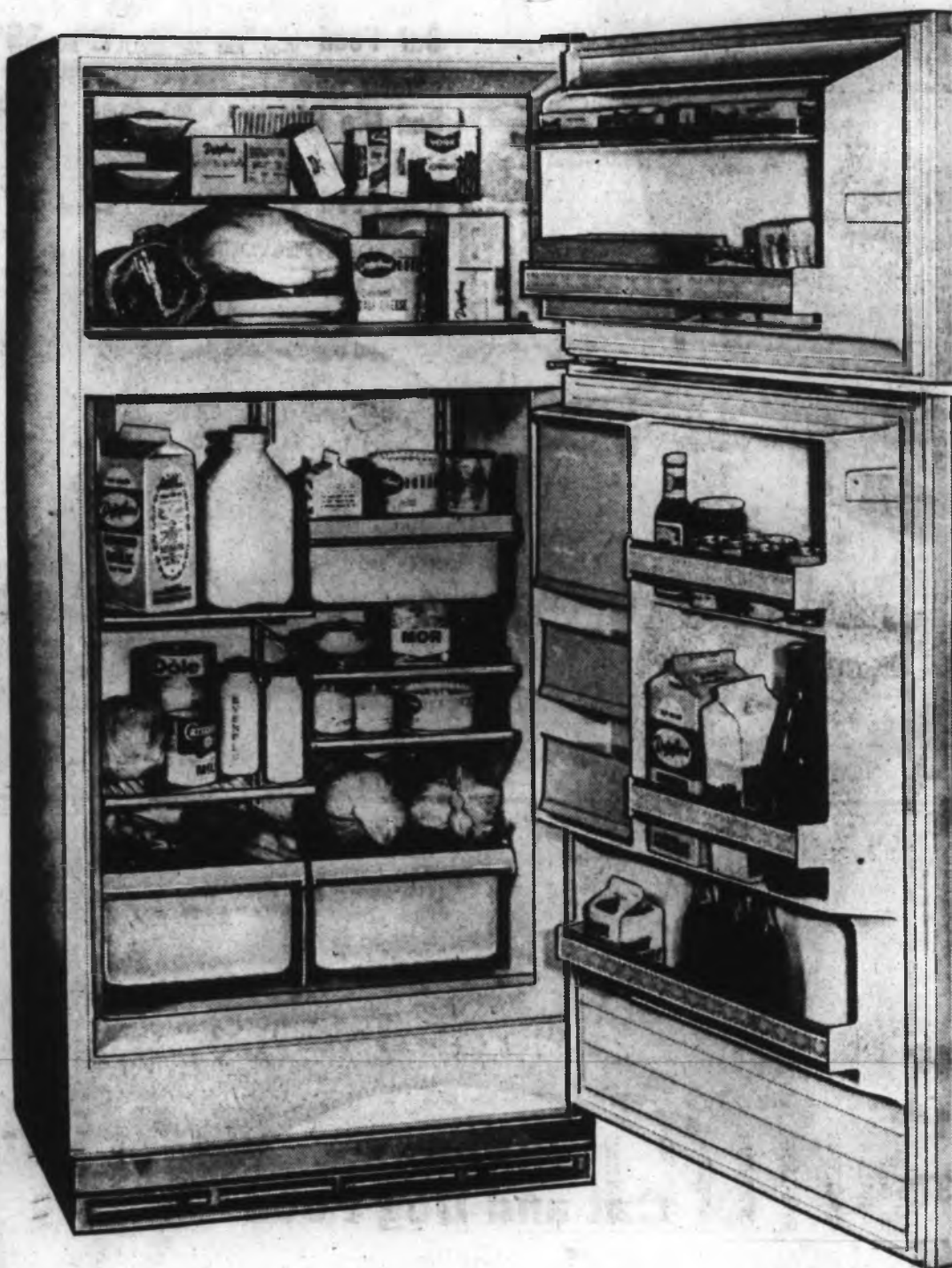
"But I have lots of guts, lots of spirit and lots of determination. That will take me a long way."

Two Men Killed In Rail Crash

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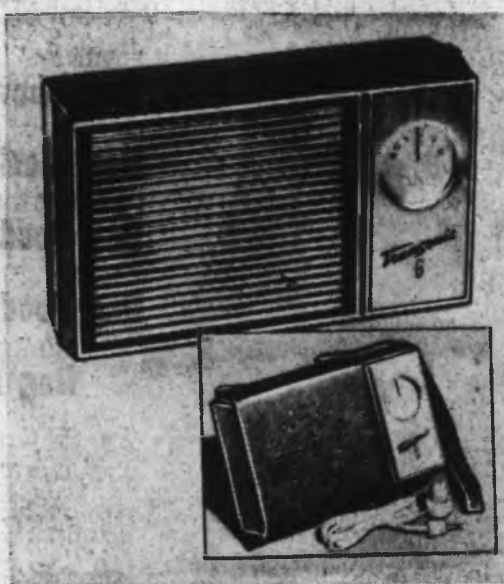
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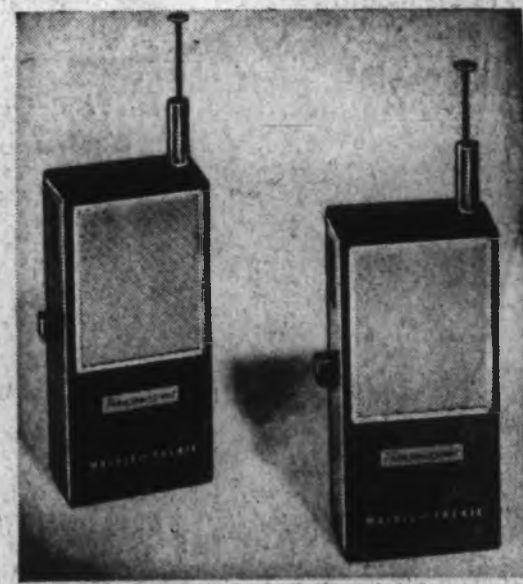


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Federal Contracts 'Biased'

OTTAWA (CP)—Government supplementary spending estimates made slow progress in the Commons Thursday against a verbal blockade thrown up by New Democrat MPs.

The New Democrats allowed only one item through in about 4½ hours of debate. That ensured at least one more day of the Commons sitting before any recess for a Liberal leadership convention.

NDP speakers ran debate through the afternoon and evening Thursday. They took up about 2½ hours on the defence production department and another two hours on the industry department.

OFFER REJECTED

As the 10 p.m. adjournment time crept up, C. M. Drury, minister of defence production and industry, offered to let the Commons sit overtime in hopes that some progress would be made.

But the New Democrats turned the offer down, insisting that the clock be observed and the House adjourn for the day.

The party has been pressing the government to bring back a bill aimed at achieving lower drug prices and get final Commons approval for it before breaking off for a recess.

Carrying the debate single-handed appeared to bring some New Democrats to cross-purposes.

Barry Mather (NDP—New Westminster) said Canada should not be supplying material to the United States that winds up being used in the Vietnam war. This was what was happening under the current defence-production sharing agreement between the two countries.

REGIONAL BIAS

Ed Schreyer (NDP—Springfield) complained that the department shows a "very strong regional bias" in awarding contracts.

Only eight per cent of the department's contracts were awarded to firms in the four western provinces although a quarter of Canada's people lived there, the Manitoba MP said.

Mr. Schreyer admitted he was touching on this whole situation with "mixed feelings."

New Surtax Past Senate

OTTAWA (CP)—The Senate gave third and final reading Thursday to Income Tax Act amendments providing a three-per-cent surtax on personal and corporate income taxes.

The legislation, already passed by the Commons, also provides for a speed-up in the collection of corporation taxes.

Only royal assent is required before the amendments become law.

Shell Completes East Coast Plan

HALIFAX (CP)—Mines Minister Donald Smith of Nova Scotia said Shell Canada Ltd. has completed plans to move into the drilling phase of its search for oil and gas off the East Coast of Canada in the summer of 1969.

Mr. Mather questioned the government's intention to spend \$200,000,000 on four destroyers, a program estimated to cost only \$80,000,000 when it was proposed four years ago.

Arnold Peters (NDP—Timiskaming) noted that the Conservative government, which scrapped the Avro Arrow jet intercept program in 1959, cost Canada the opportunity and the personnel for a full-fledged air-

craft industry. The technicians had gone to greener fields. The same thing had happened in the Canadian shipbuilding industry.

Tom Barnett (NDP—Comox-Alberni) criticized the govern-

ment for doing too little to develop alternative sources of employment at communities that are dependent on defence bases or defence industries. The Comox air base is in his British Columbia riding.

Divorce Change In May

OTTAWA (CP)—Legislation widening the grounds for divorce in Canada may go into effect May 2, Justice Minister Trudeau told the Commons Thursday.

He told Richard A. Bell (PC—Carleton) the new law cannot become operative before that date under the terms of the legislation.

However, May 2 was "the date we are aiming for."

Chief justices from across Canada had made "considerable progress" at a meeting last week to discuss rules to administer the new law.

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Resources Minister Ray Wilton was speaking when the premier entered, and as soon as the minister sat down, Mr. Bennett asked leave to make a statement.

It was 3:35 p.m. when the premier, looking pale, rose to say:

"I have to announce with great regret that at 3:15 p.m. the lieutenant-governor accepted the resignation of the minister of highways and appointed him as minister without portfolio. A few minutes later the premier was sworn in as minister of highways."

Shortly before 3 p.m., Mr. Bennett, accompanied by Mr. Gaglardi and L. J. Wallace, deputy provincial secretary arrived at Government House. They made no statement there, but on their return the premier told reporters he had an important announcement which had to be made first to the house.

Outside the house, Mr. Bennett told reporters who crowded around him in the Speaker's Corridor that Mr. Gaglardi had voluntarily resigned at 1 p.m. Thursday.

He added: "He wished to resign as minister of highways and I asked him to continue to accept a position within the cabinet as minister without portfolio."

"He came to see me at 1 p.m."

and offered to resign. It was done voluntarily. He didn't say so, but I know it was his health. You know his health is causing concern and I'm sure it was his health."

TEARS IN EYES

Tears welled in the premier's eyes as he said: "The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi is one of British Columbia's great men. When he took over (as highways minister) we had a few trails and broken-down bridges. Now we have some of the best highways and bridges in the whole world. His monuments are everywhere."

"He's always been there, in trouble, in floods, he's been there to help, in the middle of the night, at any time, anywhere."

Asked what job Mr. Gaglardi would be doing, the premier replied: "There are lots of jobs he can do when his health is restored, because he has a lot of ability."

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where in this province. Other provinces would like to have highways ministers only 10 per cent as efficient."

With efficiency and hard work, Mr. Bennett said, the former minister saved "not hundreds, not thousands, not millions, but tens and tens of millions of dollars in the development of highways on a non-patronage basis."

"The people and I will be indebted to him forever and ever and ever. He has worked 16 to 18 hours a day for years. I have been trying to get him to take a holiday, but he hasn't had a real holiday for 15 years. ALWAYS THERE

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Roberts Bank Prices

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Dugald Morrison of Delta said Thursday that land prices in the Roberts Bank area, site of a proposed super port, are valued at from \$2,200 to \$2,500 an acre.

The B.C. government has begun expropriating land at Delta for development of the area. It is offering \$1,000 an acre.

Property owners in the area have begun banding together to battle the government over land

prices. Some signed expropriation releases but others haven't.

Attorney-General Bonner said "what we have done is get agents into the field to endeavor to settle the land issue as quickly as possible. If this isn't done then the matter will go through the normal arbitration procedures."

The government requires 2,000 acres for development of the port site.

Comox Planes Still Hunting

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Business Topics

British Interest Rate Cut Spurs Hopes in Canada

By HARRY YOUNG
Business Editor

A welcome turn in interest rate trends came from London Thursday when the Bank of England cut its rate from 8 to 7 1/2 per cent.

It followed a half-point cut earlier in the week by the Bank of Denmark, and money market experts believed it might be an official inkling that last week-end's monetary decisions setting up a two-tier price of gold were proving successful.

The Bank of England move further strengthened British stocks during the day.

There is some hope the Bank of Canada may follow suit. Two weeks ago the rate was raised from 7 to 7 1/2 per cent as "a temporary measure" to meet the gold-dollar crisis. The previous increase from 6 to 7 per cent in January had also been described by Finance Minister

Sharp as a precautionary step to stop the run on the Canadian dollar.

It may not be until after the International Monetary Fund meets March 29 to discuss the Special Drawing Rights proposal that North American authorities may consider the crisis is over.

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SUPPLY WAS SHORT
Increased demand for Canadian oil owing to the Suez Canal closure made it necessary for Interprovincial Pipe Line Company to prorogue its customers for the last four months of the year.

The lines worked at capacity, but owing to delay in deliveries of electric motors and pumps, the 416 miles of 34-inch looping between Edmonton and Superior did not become available until early in 1968.

Despite this Interprovincial handled 232,600,000 barrels of oil in 1967, up 12,000,000 barrels from 1966, and the December daily deliveries were a record 671,866 barrels a day.

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HIGHER COSTS
Owing to higher costs, income in 1967 was the same as in 1966.

This year's capital construction calls for a 34-inch 645-mile loop from Superior to Sarnia via Chicago, and will cost \$75,000,000. In the following year the line will be continued from Chicago to Port Huron and Sarnia at an estimated cost of \$37,000,000.

Interprovincial does not expect initially to tap the Chicago refineries although it is expected to do so later, and its main purpose is to serve existing company markets east of Sarnia.

The alternate route via Chicago was preferred to one which would use the existing right of way through the Straits of Mackinac.

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TAJ HOLIDAY ENDED
With net earnings of \$34,232,000, Pine Point Mines had another very satisfactory year in 1967, but D. D. Morris warned shareholders in the annual report that this high level could not continue.

The company's tax holiday under the Income Tax Act and the Canada Mining regulations came to an end Feb. 29 when the company's original Pine Point mine ceased to be exempt from taxation from that date.

A special transportation charge of \$3 per ton of concentrates came into effect March 1 as part compensation to the government for building the Great Slave Lake Railway.

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HIGH GRADE
The shipping of high grade ore, which was 42 per cent of total sales revenue in 1967, may not continue at so high a level.

Against those factors, Pine Point will benefit from mill capacity created by the acquisition of Pyramid Mining Co. Ltd., which is due for completion at a cost of \$16,500,000 by the end of this year, and on which there will be a three-year tax exemption.

Ore reserves at the end of 1967 were 40,500,000 tons — averaging 2.6 per cent lead and 6.8 per cent zinc, an increase of 2,700,000 tons over a year earlier.

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SLOWDOWN ON MILL
Eurocan Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd. has announced it will not be able to bring its new pulp mill at Kitimat into production before 1970.

Ben Ginter, president, said a change of site and a dispute over a road that runs through the plant had created delays and would not make it possible for Eurocan to fulfil its promise of being in production by 1969, which was given at the public

hearings leading to the award of its free farm license.

Another change announced by Eurocan is that it is abandoning its initial plan to produce kraft pulp because of considerable overcapacity already in existence. Instead the 760 tons a day plant will be geared to liner-board and kraft paper.

Algeria Helps Rebels

LONDON (AP) — Algeria is supplying rebel Rhodesia oil through a company partly owned by the French government, says a report in The Sun.

Harold Hutchinson, the newspaper's political correspondent, says details of the leak in sanctions were given to a private meeting of Labor MPs Wednesday night by Commonwealth Secretary George Thomson with Prime Minister Wilson's backing.

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UN ATTACK
Thomson is quoted as saying oil for Rhodesia, the African colony which broke away from Britain, was sold by the Algerian government to the Total Oil Co., which is owned in part by France.

"As Mr. Thomson pointed out, Algeria is one of the chorus of African and Arab states devoting most of their time at the United Nations to attacking Britain for failing to make sanctions effective," says Hutchinson.

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NO COMMENT
"Mr. Thomson and the prime minister... have decided to retaliate by revealing the source of a substantial proportion of oil reaching Rhodesia."

There was no immediate comment from Total.

Thomson, Hutchinson continues, added MPs also were told many African states are doing more trade with Rhodesia than before the white-minority regime seized independence.

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Free Gold Prices
LONDON (AP) — Closing gold prices included: Paris \$38.41 an ounce, Frankfurt \$36.75, Zurich \$37.75-\$38.75, Hong Kong \$37.78. London market closed.

Marine Calendar

NAVY
HMCS Saskatchewan, St. Croix, Qu'Appelle — return Monday.
HMCS Grise — returns 10 a.m., March 20.
HMCS Port de la Rive — departs 8 a.m. today. Returns Sunday.

COAST GUARD
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Nuclear Output Brings Merger

OTTAWA (CP) — Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Canadian General Electric will merge their nuclear power system design and engineering groups this year in anticipation of heavy domestic orders for nuclear power plants in the next 10 years.

A joint announcement Thursday by the president of the two organizations said they have agreed to the merger for a five-year period "to consolidate and streamline nuclear design and engineering capability in Canada."

The arrangement also is aimed at improving Canada's chances of successfully bidding on overseas sales of nuclear power systems.

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There's a Golden Threat for His Silverware

Carefully guarding his Vancouver Island Retriever Club top-scoring trophy and wondering what saucy golden retrievers will do to him at retriever dog trials Saturday and Sunday at Blenkinsop Lake is black Labrador Syldonnell's Black Vanguard,

owned by Tom Moss. Golden Retrievers which have recently stepped into the winners' circle are Angus of Stürovin, centre, owned by Bob Harman, and Champion Mossbank's Golden Honey, right, owned by Evelyn Smith.—(Jim Ryan)

Weekend Retriever Trials Claims Field of Champions

By ALEC MERRIMAN

The biggest retriever dog trials ever to be held on Vancouver Island, if not in British Columbia, will be staged in the Blenkinsop (Lost) Lake area Saturday and Sunday.

More than 100 dogs will be competing, including the finest retrievers in the Pacific Northwest, with entries coming from as far away as Alaska, California, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, and Washington as well as the B.C. mainland.

The fourth Canadian Kennel Club-licensed show of the Vancouver Island Retriever Club, it is already assured of being considerably bigger than any of the spectacular Parkville retriever dog trials held in the late 1940s.

Thirty-five of the very best dogs in North America have been entered in the open all-age stake which will be held Sunday morning.

BIG FIELDS

Spectators are invited both days of the trials and the Blenkinsop Lake area may be reached by driving out Blenkinsop Road to Lohrbrunner Road.

Twenty-seven dogs have been entered in the qualifying stakes Sunday and another 27 of the finest juniors, up to two years of age, will also be competing Saturday.

Scheduled for Sunday after-

noon is the puppy stakes with 15 dogs entered. These are young dogs up to one year of age, just breaking into field trial competition, and their youthful eagerness usually creates a spectacular spectator show of marking and retrieving over land and water.

A highlight of Sunday's open event will be the competition between golden retrievers and Labradors.

In recent retriever competition in Vancouver Island the golden retrievers have stepped ahead of the Labradors, and have dominated the winning circle in the open all age stakes.

DISTAFF WINNER

This month, a woman handler, Evelyn Smith, won the open all age stake at Hidden Meadows Farm at Cobble Hill, March 11, with her golden retriever Champion Mossbank's Golden Honey.

In February Sara Harman, filled in for her husband, Vancouver Island Retriever Club president Bob Harman, and won the open event at Goldstream with golden retriever Angus of Stürovin.

Angus has recently spent several weeks in Bellingham, Wash., on an intensive finishing course with professional trainer Hal Loop.

ISLAND CHAMPION

One of the dogs that is expected to give the golden a stiff run is Syldonnell's Black Vanguard, a black Labrador owned and handled by Tom Moss of Victoria. Van has been Vancouver Island Retriever Club's top scoring dog for the last three years.

Other Vancouver Island black Labradors which are expected to give the golden keen competition are Boomerang of Nascope, owned and handled by Hunter Smith of Cobble Hill, and Sealord's Macauley of Lewis, owned and handled by Graeme Miller of Duncan.

HAS CREDENTIALS

Another of the dogs to watch Sunday will be last year's winner, black Labrador field champion, amateur field champion and Canadian field champion, Grady Shadee Ladec, owned and handled by W. K. Chilcote of Seattle.

Still another dog to watch will be dual champion, amateur field trial champion, Canadian champion Breckon Hill's Sean O'Moore, a black Labrador owned and handled by Gene Moore, Seattle.

TOP WINNER

Chesapeake Bay which will try to dethrone the Labradors will include dual and American field trial champion, Baron's Tule Tiger, CD, owned and handled by Mrs. Walter Heller of Sonoma, Calif.

One national field trial champion who has won the highest honors obtained in the retriever dog world is black Labrador N.F.T.Ch. and 1966 National

amateur champion, and field trial champion Captain of Lomac, who will be handled by owner Rudy Deering of Vancouver.

Top professional dog handlers who will be competing include Hal Loop of Bellingham, Ken Gibson, of Vancouver, Bob Bayne and Bert Carlson of Washington State.

Judges for the open, qualifying and junior events will be Ken Carpenter, of White Rock, and Dr. R. C. Greenleaf, of Seattle. Victoria's Dennis Young will be assisting in the qualifying event.

Judges of the puppy stakes will be Mrs. Toni Carpenter of White Rock and Sara Harman of Victoria.

SOLUNAR TABLES WHEN TO FISH OR HUNT

According to the Solunar Tables calculated for this area, the best times for hunting and fishing today and tomorrow will be as follows (Times shown are Pacific Standard Time):

TODAY

AM	Major	Minor	PM	Major	Minor
2:45	5:45	11:35	6:15		

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INLET GOOD

In Saanich Inlet big springs are being taken both in Tod Inlet and Finlayson Arm and there are good concentrations of grilse, especially around Goldstream Island, although after providing good sport on surface trolled flies the grilse around Goldstream Island moved very deep at times at the weekend.

Steelheading has been fair in most rivers, but water levels

have been dropping quickly in the fine weather.

The Cowichan is now in pretty good steelheading shape and producing. So are the Koksilah and the Chemainus. Sooke River is giving up cutthroat trout.

Warm weather should bring on trout fishing in the lakes.

UVic Blanks Visiting XI

University of Victoria Vikings defeated University of Oregon Ducks, 3-0, Wednesday in an exhibition collegiate soccer match at Gordon Head Campus.

Ike MacKay, Greg Pearson and Tony Gage scored for Vikings after the teams had battled to a scoreless first half.

Vikings travel to Portland for a return match March 30.

Royals Lose Battle Of Punchless Clubs

VANCOUVER — Vancouver Royals, who have been concentrating on building an attack during their training season, found the trouble is still there on Thursday night when they were blanked, 2-0, by Oakland Clippers in a North American Soccer League exhibition game.

Clippers, who hadn't scored once in their first two exhibition games — a 1-0 loss to Guadalajara of Mexico and a scoreless

draw with San Diego Toreros, opened the scoring after 12 minutes on a shot by inside-right Kay Westall.

Centre-forward Ilja Mitic got the second goal early in the second half with a blazing shot.

It was the third loss in five pre-season games for the Royals, who get another chance at the Clippers on Sunday in a game scheduled for MacDonald Park in Victoria.

Just recently back from Saskatoon, where she starred as Victoria Rawlings won the Canadian senior women's title, she had won the inter-city league scoring championship and been selected to the all-star team in each of the past two seasons.

She played for Canada in the Pan-American Games and her Canadian championship this year was her second in a row. Last year, she helped Vancouver Mount Pleasant Legion to the title after

Rawlings failed to make the playoffs.

Right up there in basketball ability is Miss Doyle, a former member of the Mount Pleasant team who moved to Victoria last September. Playing for Rawlings this year, she too, had a share in a second straight Canadian title, finished second to Mrs. Coutts in the inter-city league scoring race, was selected to the all-star team and voted the league's most valuable player.

Ullman's Brilliant Play Makes Punch Look Good

Punch Imlach had to pay the piper this season for trades which put Toronto Maple Leafs into the Stanley Cup playoffs for 10 successive seasons and brought them four cup triumphs in the last six years but Norm Ullman is so far making his most controversial trade look as if it might start another Toronto streak of successes.

The 32-year-old centreman, the key figure for the Leafs in the seven-player deal which saw Frank Mahovlich switched to Detroit Red Wings, has been little short of spectacular since going to Toronto on March 4.

TWO A GAME

Ullman scored the 2-1 goal and made the play for the 3-2 goal last night as the Leafs defeated the Wings, 5-2. The goal and assist were his 14th and 15th points in the eight games he has played with Toronto as compared to the 53 points he scored in 58 games with the Wings this season.

Paul Henderson, another of the

Fred Stanfield, the players who came from the Hawks in return for Gilles Marotte, Pit Martin and Jack Norris, had three goals and three assists between them. John McKenzie, a former Hawk who came to the Bruins from New York Rangers in an even-up swap for Reg Fleming two seasons back, contributed a goal and an assist.

Espino's goal was his 33rd, and his three points boosted him to 79 for the season, only two behind Chicago's Stan Mikita. Stanfield has 20 goals and 44 assists and Hodge 23 goals and 28 assists for a total of 76 goals and 118 assists from one trade. Marotte has been only a fair defenceman for the Hawks, Martin has scored 15 goals and

made 19 assists and Norris has played only three games.

But it goes further than that for the Bruins, McKenzie has 27 goals and 36 assists while Fleming is 15-5 for the Rangers. And Eddie Shack, who came from the Leafs for Murray Oliver, scorer of only nine goals for the Bruins last season, drove in goals No. 19 and 20 last night.

Bays Stop Abbotsford To Gain Semi-Finals

VANCOUVER (Special)—Oak Bay avenged its only loss of the season on Thursday night by defeating Abbotsford Panthers, 51-42, to advance to the semi-finals of the B.C. boys' high school basketball championships.

Bays lost a close, home-floor decision to Abbotsford in January after having scored a convincing win over the Panthers on the mainland early in the season.

STILL AT IT

Dave Morgan and Don Burrows, Bays' one-two punch throughout the season, both shot and rebounded well in the rubber match against the taller Abbotsford team.

Morgan, most-valuable player in the Vancouver Island tournament, led the club with 22 points and 17 rebounds. Burrows hit for 16 points and pulled in 11 rebounds.

Abbotsford took an 11-0 first-quarter lead but Bays came

back and were ahead, 24-17 at the intermission.

Centre Tom Holmes, who had scored 12 points along with Morgan and Burrows in Wednesday's 60-35 victory over Prince George, fouled out with two minutes gone in the third quarter. Pete Mason did a fine job as his replacement, contributing only one point but grabbing eight rebounds.

DID MOST OF IT

"We didn't move the ball as well as we have done," Oak Bay coach Gary Taylor said. "But we shot well and played a very steady game. I'm very pleased with the rebounding."

"I expect we'll have a tough time against Burnaby in the semi-finals. They're well balanced with four or five good shooters."

Burnaby Central Wildcats, who Oak Bay clipped by five points in an exhibition game at Victoria High, reached the semi-finals by trouncing North Vancouver Norsemen, 45-27.

Sentinel of West Vancouver continued to be the surprise team of the tournament, eliminating defending champions Vancouver College from the title chase when Mike Kasen hit a left-handed set shot just as the buzzer sounded for a 53-52 victory.

Sentinel meets David Thompson of Vancouver, who had to struggle from behind to edge Prince Rupert, 36-32, in the other semi-final.

Both the other Island entries, Chemainus and Cowichan, were knocked out in consolation round games.

Chemainus, surprised, 72-52, by Sentinel on Wednesday, was eliminated by North Surrey, 74-37. Rutland bounced Cowichan, 64-38.

ABBOTSFORD (2) — Jack Falk 8, Bob Bernick 4, Eric Bryde 3, Larry Burnett 2, Jack Kemmle 4, Marvin Freeman, Edgercombe 1, Gordon Eddy, Rick Oakley, Ken Dietrich 10, Eric Roske 2, Dave Lowen 10.

OAK BAY (51) — Walter Burrows, Dave Weicker, Jamie Henderson, Brent Martin 4, Glen White, Dave Walker 8, Tom Holmes 2, Pete Mason 1, Don Burrows 18, Dave Morgan 22.

Entry of Six Asian Stars Completes Standout Field

Ensuring an outstanding field in the men's open singles during next week's Canadian badminton championships at the Racquet Club of Victoria is the entry of six Asian stars.

From Japan are Eichi Sakai and Takeshi Miyayaga, who were members of their country's team in the 1964 Thomas Cup finals which were held in Victoria.

One of the most prominent names in badminton in recent years, Channarong Ratana-

Saeng-uma, leads two other Thai players, Sangob Rattana-

at the Cordova Bay Community Hall with the finals Thursday at the Racquet Club.

Then the open event takes over on Friday with the finals set for Saturday.

Tickets for the events are available at the Racquet Club and are going rapidly as there is limited accommodation.

FAN FARE

By WALT DITZEN

BASKETBALL SURE HAS CHANGED! "I SAY!"

TORONTO & DETROIT 2

1. Detroit, Unger (4) (F. Mahovlich, Howe) 8-34.
2. Toronto, Walton (28) (Pulford, Pecky) 12-20.
3. Toronto, Ullman (25) (Horton, Ellis) 17-25.
4. Detroit, Douglas (10) (Howe, Unger) 18-30.
Penalties—None.
No scoring.
Penalties—Promovost (7) 5-26; Jarrett (2) 5-25; Pecky (7) 18-32.
THIRD PERIOD
5. Toronto, Henderson (17) (Ullman, Ellis) 7-25.
6. Toronto, Conacher (10) (Pulford) 11-21.
Penalties—Horton (7) 10-23.
Shots on goal by
Toronto 7 14 6-27
Detroit 10 11 8-33
Attendance: 14,129

CHICAGO & BOSTON 2

1. Boston, Shack (18) (Espino, Donk) 11-17.
2. Chicago, Schmautz (12) (Sander, Conacher) 18-18.
3. Boston, Schmautz 12-22; Sander (8) 18-24.
SECOND PERIOD
4. Boston, Westfall (14) 4-3.
5. Boston, Espino (23) (Hodge, Williams) 5-22.
6. Boston, Stanfield (20) (McKenzie, Green) 6-28.
7. Boston, Hodge (21) (Espino, Smith) 16-30.
Penalties—Sander (6) 7-42; McKenzie (12) 21-44.
8. Boston, Williams (18) (Bucyk, Green) 7-25.
9. Boston, Shack (20) (Cashman, Sander) 18-18.
10. Boston, McKenzie (27) (Bucyk, Smith) 13-36.
Penalties—Reid (1) 1-5; Sather (1) 8-33.
Shots on goal by
Chicago 6 7 8-23
Boston 10 13 11-34
Attendance: 14,318

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PORTLAND

GP	W	L	T	F	Pts
Seattle	22	22	6	237	124
San Diego	22	22	7	188	124
San Diego	22	22	1	223	221
Vancouver	27	27	5	262	245
Phoenix	28	28	2	198	261
San Diego	28	28	2	279	262

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FIRST PERIOD

1. Seattle, Dineen (Morton, Lund) 11-17.
2. San Diego, Hills (Kshenverth, Hanson) 18-37.
Penalties—Heiskanen (5) 4-2; Carruthers (5) 7-22; Lander (5) and White (5) 14-18; Lund (5) 13-14; Heiskanen (5) and Hills (5) 19-22.
SECOND PERIOD
3. San Diego, Nicholson (O'Ree, Huculak) 12-4.
4. San Diego, Ronson (Faulkner, Sinclair) 11-14.
Penalties—Ward (5) 2-48; Huculak (5) 11-21.
THIRD PERIOD
5. San Diego, Faulkner (Ronson, MacMillan) 18-27.
Penalties—Head (5) 28-1; Lund (5) and Huculak (5) (major) 1-38; Leonard (5) and Huculak (5) (minors) and Mackinnon 11-23; Head (5) (misconduct) 14-18; Lund (5) (two minors) 14-18; Huculak (5) 15-17; Evans (5) 15-14; Lund (5) 18-14.
Shots
Head (5) 8 12 9-28
Champion (5) 7 8 7-22
Attendance: 10,268

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Distaff Athletes Give Committee Trying Problem

It's quite a job that has been accepted by the committee which will select the outstanding male and female athletes of the past year to receive awards at the first annual Celebrity Dinner on April 16 at the Empress Hotel.

There are a number of outstanding male athletes to ponder over but it will be even more difficult to make a choice when it comes time to select the distaff athlete of the year.

At least four athletes who would be a worthy choice in other years will have to be disappointed as the committee makes its choice from a list

Still will include, among others, such performers as figure-skater Heather Fraser, basketball stars Mary Coutts and Diane Doyle, swimmer Mary Pat Pumphrey and badminton-ace Allison Daysmith.

Miss Fraser has a long list of victories to her credit, including the 1967 Canadian junior women's championship.

She was also selected the outstanding skater at the Victoria Racquet Club's invitational meet last August, won the Puget Sound senior women's championship the same month and passed the International Skating Union gold medal test in California last September.

Mrs. Coutts, an outstanding all-round athlete who coaches basketball and track at Claremont high school, is generally recognized as Canada's No. 1 women basketball player.

Just recently back from Saskatoon, where she starred as Victoria Rawlings won the Canadian senior women's title, she had won the inter-city league scoring championship and been selected to the all-star team in each of the past two seasons.

She played for Canada in the Pan-American Games and her Canadian championship this year was her second in a row. Last year, she helped Vancouver Mount Pleasant Legion to the title after

Rawlings failed to make the playoffs.

Right up there in basketball ability is Miss Doyle, a former member of the Mount Pleasant team who moved to Victoria last September. Playing for Rawlings this year, she too, had a share in a second straight Canadian title, finished second to Mrs. Coutts in the inter-city league scoring race, was selected to the all-star team and voted the league's most valuable player.

Miss Pumphrey has the same kind of credentials. She won the Canadian Open 200-metres breaststroke championship last summer and was selected to the Canadian Pan-American Games swim team and competed in the Canadian-American meet in Edmonton last January.

Miss Daysmith, now working in Seattle, is Canada's No. 1-ranked woman badminton player. She won the Canadian title in Winnipeg at year end, defeating another

former Victorian, Sharon Whitaker, in the final.

She previously won the Canadian junior championship twice, represented Canada at the 1966 Commonwealth Games and was a member of a Canadian team which made a tour of Britain.

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Shipyard Fire Charge Dismissed

Magistrate William Ostler dismissed a charge Thursday against electrician Peter Herold in connection with the barge-fire death of 24-year-old welder Steve Williams of Yarrow's Ltd. last Sept. 7.

Mr. Herold was charged with failing to carry out work without undue risk to a person or persons.

Earlier this week Magistrate J. A. Byers reserved judgment until April 2 in a trial in which the shipyard was charged with three counts of negligence.

EVIDENCE LACK

Magistrate Ostler said Thursday there was no evidence that Mr. Herold was an employee at the time of the accident nor was there any evidence that he had any authority over the welder.

"I can't see where he had any responsibility," he said. "Nobody showed the electrician had any authority to direct the welder to do anything."

The magistrate said "this tragic occurrence resulted from the welding of a nipple at the request of the accused."

The welder, Allan Knight, testified earlier that Mr. Herold had asked him to weld the nipple.

NOTICED FIRE

He said that when he had welded part of the way around the nipple he noticed a fire inside it. He hollered fire, and fire was already gushing out of a nearby pipe. Black smoke began pouring out of the newsprint barge.

He said he was not aware of the conditions which existed on the other side of the bulkhead.

He knew of the hazards involved with the spraying of the insulating material insulmastic, he said.

It was established earlier that the substance was highly inflammable when being sprayed.

EARLIER WELD

Witness told defence counsel Rodney Taylor that he knew insulmastic was being sprayed inside the deckhouse.

He had already admitted

doing an earlier weld without checking on the inside of the barge. Asked why he didn't check, he replied "I don't really know."

Foreman welder John Forgie of Yarrow's testified that welders were told they were responsible "for any fire started," as the result of welding.

"Knight must have known it was his duty to look on the other side?" asked Mr. Taylor.

SIGNS POSTED

"Yes," replied Mr. Forgie. "All the welders knew insulmastic spraying was going on. They knew it was inflammable. There were signs up everywhere, at the head of the gangways, on the ladders and on the staging."

Summing up, Magistrate Ostler said the "credibility of Knight is in question."

He said it was the welder's duty to check and he was "passing the buck."

□

Walter Shaw, 2659 Douglas, was fined \$100 for shoplifting a pair of 97-cent socks in The Bay on Thursday morning. A store detective said Shaw selected the socks, looked around and then pocketed them.

The accused bought about \$8 worth of groceries, spent 20 minutes in the coffee shop and finally left the store. The store detective said he was apprehended outside the Douglas Street entrance.

Pleading guilty, Shaw said that he had been steadily employed for 16 years and said it was "just one of those unfortunate things."

Magistrate Ostler said he would not accept the explanation.

"Sneak thievery is especially reprehensible in people who are able to pay," he said.

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Ronald Lamontagne, 21, of 2632 Douglas, was sentenced to two months in jail for theft under \$50. He was earlier convicted of stealing a coat from Woodward's.

He was caught last Friday headlights on, overtook cars on the right at speeds up to 50 miles an hour.

Dale Ford, 2928 Colquitz, was sentenced to 15 days in jail for impaired driving and his licence was suspended for three years. There was a previous licence suspension for impaired driving May 6, 1967.

Court was told that Ford, while driving on Walter Avenue the night of Feb. 6 without

being impaired, was fined for careless driving: Leonard W. Beecroft, 3867 Carey, \$35; Peter P. Cacos, 633 Toronto, \$35; Donald H. Curling, 262 Sims, \$40; Armand C. Greenwood, HMCS Mackenzie, \$40, one month's suspension; Dale Scott, 65 Caton, \$40; John B. Skeldrake, 5345 Hamsterley, \$40; Grant Beardshaw, 1544 Montgomery, \$35, one month's suspension; Gordon F. W. Patterson, 1898 Forrester, \$35.



Air Cadets Afloat

Forty-eight air cadets from Sidney, Victoria, Ladysmith, Nanaimo and Powell River were recently treated to a sea journey. Weekend trip included sightseeing and dance in Seattle and "At Sea" transfer from HMCS Porpoise to HMCS de la Reine. (Canadian Forces)



Donald

Fatherless Boys Need Big Brothers

Twenty fatherless Victoria boys need someone to take an interest in them, according to Rev. Walter Donald, of Christ Church Cathedral.

He hopes that some interest will be taken in these boys during Big Brother Week starting Monday in Victoria.

Purpose of the Big Brother organization is to encourage men to take an interest in seeing fatherless boys at least once a week and taking them on occasional outings.

Reeve Hugh Curtis will sign the Big Brother Week proclamation in the Saanich Municipal offices at 10:30 a.m. today.

Teen Club for Sidney

Sidney teenagers decided to organize sports, dances and Tuesday night to form a Teen Club, and a nominating committee was formed to draw up a slate of officers. Next meeting to draw up a constitution and elect officers. It is hoped that the club will be held shortly.

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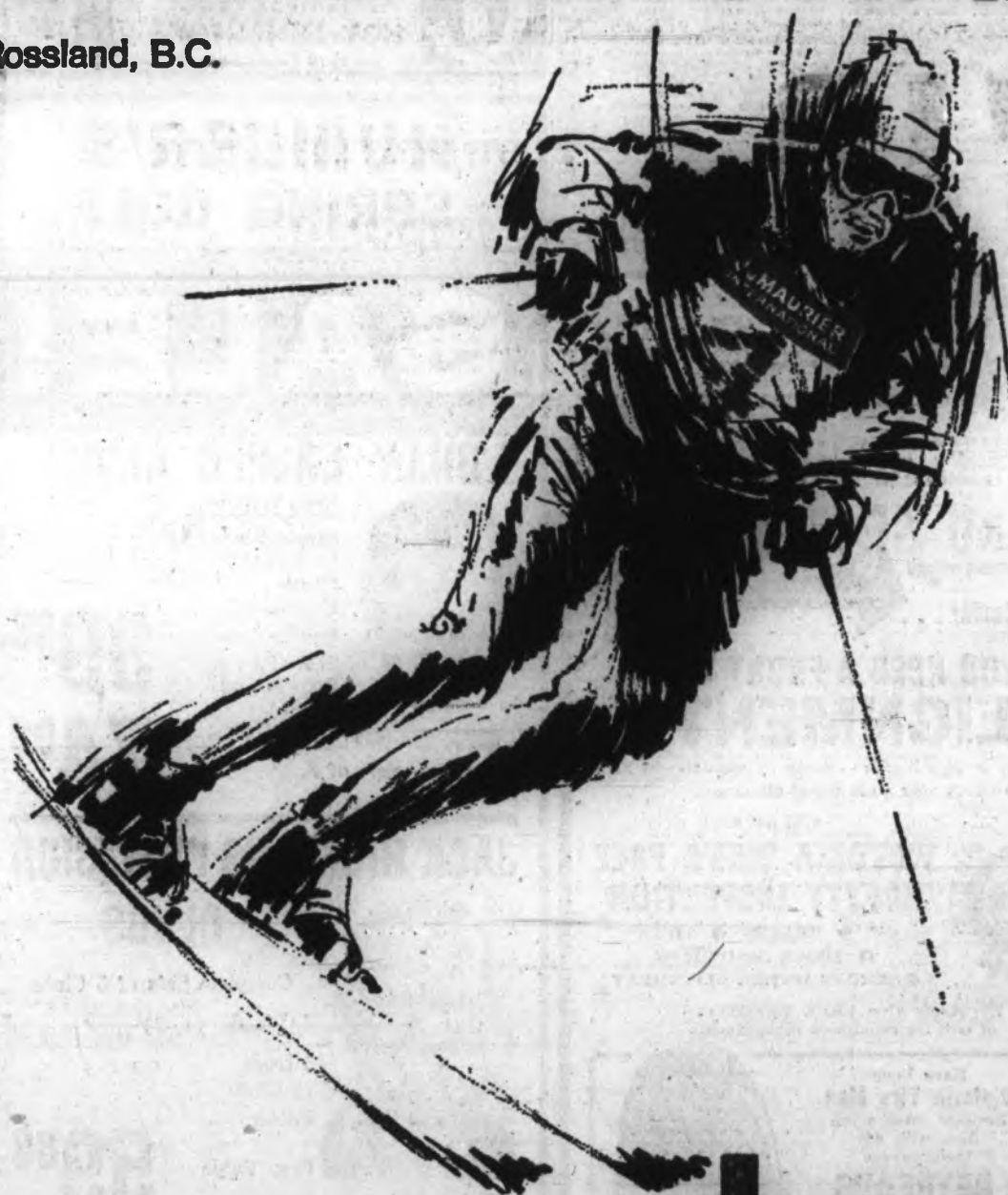
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Scholarship Soon Security

A bill which would bring scholarship plans under the British Columbia Securities Act was given first reading in the British Columbia legislature Thursday.

The bill, introduced by Attorney General Robert Bonner, adds "scholarship" plans to the definition of "security," meaning such plans will have to comply with the standards laid down for other money certificates or other such savings or sales plans.

The bill also broadens the power of the B.C. Securities Commission to issue cease trading orders.

MORE POWER
The existing statute empowering the commission to order a stop to trading in certain securities confers the power to primary distribution of securities and trading on the stock exchange.

Mr. Bonner also introduced a companion bill to amend the Companies Act. That would enable the registrar of companies to exempt certain private companies from a number of provisions relating to the disclosure of insider trading, proxy solicitation and circulating or filing of financial statements.

VEHICLE ACT
Also introduced was an amendment bill to the proposed act to amend the Motor Vehicle Act, now awaiting third reading in the house that would allow notification of minor driving violations to be sent by registered mail.

The additional amendment would change this section to conform with service similar to the Summary Convictions Act, usually involving personal service of such notification.

WIVES, CHILDREN
Gordon (L. — Vancouver Point Grey) introduced a bill to amend the Wives and Children's Maintenance Act. The amendment would remove the statutory maximum of \$75 a week now imposed on family court maintenance orders.

Mr. Gordon's bill received first reading but would require three readings prior to becoming law.

Laotians Flee Red Avalanche

VIENTIANE (Reuters) — Tens of thousands of Laotian refugees were fleeing the north-eastern province of Sam Neua to escape from repeated North Vietnamese attacks, military sources said.

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Opposition Hammers at Hydro:**Socreds Shut Door to Public**

The opposition again accused the Social Credit government Thursday of hiding details of public affairs, as Liberals and NDP hammered at the province's dam and hydro power program.

NDP spokesman Randolph Harding (Revelstoke-Slocan) charged that Lands, Forests and Water Resources Minister Ray Williston's department was giving away power-producing water stored by the new Dunsen Dam.

Mr. Williston said there was not yet any agreement with the West Kootenay Power or Cominco, whose dams on the lower Kootenay River west of Nelson use the water.

DURING DEBATE

The attacks came during debate on the estimates of Mr. Williston's department.

Heaviest pressure on Mr. Williston revolved around the affairs of B.C. Hydro and Power Authority, a crown corporation of which he is a director.

Opposition members, including NDP leader Robert Strachan, claimed that little information on B.C. Hydro was being released by the government.

House committee chairman Herbert Bruch repeatedly inter-

vened, saying that B.C. Hydro affairs were not covered by the vote then under debate.

"Doors are being closed on public business," shouted Mr. Strachan. "Public business in

provinces must always be subject to questioning."

Patrick McGeer (L.-Vancouver Point Grey) declared:

"Information on B.C. Hydro is not come from its annual reports. It comes from the prospectuses that go to Wall Street."

POWER RATES

Gordon Dowding (NDP-Burnaby-Edmonds) at one point accused chairman Herbert Bruch of using the house rules to obscure the affairs of B.C. Hydro.

Then Berger (NDP-Vancouver Burrard) asked an assurance from Mr. Williston that the power rates of B.C. Hydro wouldn't be increased this year.

"As soon as I find out I'll be pleased to let you know," replied Mr. Williston.

Repeated questioning on the subject failed to get any clear answer, and another shouting match erupted between Mr. Strachan and Mr. Bruch.

Mr. McGeer asked Mr. Williston to bring B.C. Hydro executives before a committee of the house for questioning, but got no satisfaction.

Mr. Harding noted that the Dunsen Dam had been completed since last summer, and wanted to know what benefit

was accruing to the province from downstream benefits to power dams operated by West Kootenay Power and Cominco.

The dam is storing more water which can be released for use in the turbines instead of going to waste, he observed.

Mr. Williston, said negotiations were in progress with the companies, but that nothing had "We're fed up with these sessions!" cried Mr. Strachan.

Earlier, Mr. Williston repeated his previous statement that ing water to the U.S. under the North American Water and Power Alliance.

"B.C. is against the entire concept," he said.

TWELVE YEARS

Reforestation also came under attack. Several opposition members claimed that far less acreage was being planted than was logged each year.

David Stupich (NDP-Nanaimo) said that in the 12 years since the Sloan royal commission report on the forest industry, B.C. had not planted what the Sloan report said should be done in one year.

Mr. Williston defended the government's program. Early technical difficulties had been solved, he said, and B.C.'s system was recognized as one of the best in the world.

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Court Moving to City

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An official said Thursday that temporary facilities in Vancouver are too small.

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here, Mrs. Laura Affleck, formerly of Victoria, will be in charge.

Applications for Canadian Citizenship are currently handled by the Victoria County Court. The new arrangement will call for them to be handled by Mrs. Affleck.

Formerly, new Canadian citizens received their certificates from Judge Montague Drake in Victoria County Court. Now they are issued by the federal court in Vancouver and presented here by Judge Eric Chown, president of the court.

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Only Emergency Rates Ambulance

The city provides an emergency ambulance service for heart attack and accident victims — but only that — it was emphasized Thursday at a meeting of city council health committee.

Ald. Lloyd Clarkson said it was generally believed that an over-all service was given by the municipality, but people should be corrected on that notion.

Members of the committee agreed to send a letter to all nursing homes, hospitals and private hospitals pointing out the limitations of the city service.

THREE COMPANIES
Three private companies in Victoria provide ambulance service. A report from City Manager Dennis Young said the fact that the city had a contract for "emergency service" with one of the companies did not change the situation.

It was never the intention of city council to establish an over-all community service, the

report continued, and it was, on the contrary, always the opinion of council that such a program should be started and financed by B.C. Hospital Insurance Service.

With victims of accidents, heart attacks or other emergencies, questions were not asked and the service went into action without delay, it said.

CHOICE LEFT

Choice was usually left to the discretion of police of firemen, and they had a good deal of latitude in the matter, said Mr. Young, but it still did not mean that the ambulance service was not entitled to charge normal fees for non-emergency calls.

The private citizen was still expected to make his own arrangements for transportation between home and hospital, nursing home or doctor's office, and to pay for this service.

"There is some misunderstanding in this matter, and I believe it should be corrected at once," the city manager said.

Youth Protesting Bill 33 Sunday

A group of Victoria and Vancouver young people plan to stage a demonstration Sunday at the legislative buildings in protest of Bill 33, the government's proposed labor law.

About 75 persons, who say they are acting independently from trade union movements, are expected to turn out.

Sponsoring the Victoria group is the Peace-Action League, and the Vancouver youngsters are

being spurred by the Norman Bethune Club.

The demonstration is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. and will include a walk through the city, and songs and speeches at the legislature.

Among those expected to appear are Carol Anne Powers, daughter of trade unionist Jeff Powers who was jailed last year for defying an injunction, and Vancouver folk singer Tom Hawkins.

Building Council Flails 'Compulsory' Aspects

The B.C. and Yukon Building and Construction Trades Council added fuel Wednesday to the fire opposing Bill 33, the government's new labor law being considered in the legislature.

In a telegram to the government, the council said: "... That it be made abundantly clear that the B.C. Yukon Building and Construction Trades Council go on record as refusing to accept the compulsory aspect of the bill and that the responsibility of any future labor strike arising from the proposed bill be borne by the present government by introducing such unprecedented labor legislation."

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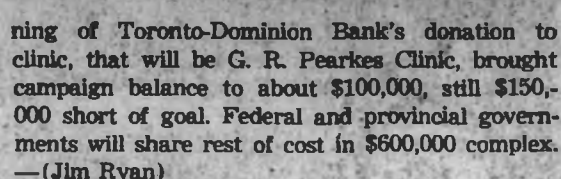
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from building by police. One wall and part of the ceiling
were scorched. Patients were evacuated to another wing
when smoke was discovered.—(Robin Clarke)



Beautiful Bowler Berv

It's the all-British look for these London models about to board jet for Europe to publicize latest styles. Outfits included British tweeds, knitwear, bowlers and the customary symbol of the ultra conservative Londoner, the broly. It's all part of the new swinging City Gent look.

Birth Pill Swells British Bustline

LONDON (LST) — There are, it seems, other advantages to the birth pill besides the obvious one. Last week that eminently respectable newspaper, *Le Figaro*, solemnly warned French bra manufacturers that now that the pill's legal, they had better watch it. Their British colleagues, reported *Figaro*, had discovered that since British women started taking the pill, demand for the bigger bras had rocketed.

Accurate reporting or a case of Gallic wishful thinking? Tireless in the search of truth, three leading British bra manufacturers were called and their answer was hoots of laughter. But because they are a publicity conscious lot, they faithfully promised to investigate and call back.

First back was a slightly sheepish Berlei. Yes, they could confirm that the average size of the bra had gone up from 34 to 36 in recent years. Next to reply was Silhouette. They were even more chastened. They had done some research and had discovered that demand for

their large cup size in 1967 was double that in 1966. Firm number three was the most skeptical of the lot: I've still to hear from them.

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Sardinian Cooks Out

By JEAN SHARP

TORONTO (CP) — A Sardinian cook would apparently feel at home in Canada's bush or at a backyard barbecue.

On that island off Italy's west coast, one typical, traditional dish is meat roasted in an outdoor brick oven or at an open fire.

When shepherds prepare a roast to be cooked before an open fire, they smear it with salt which dries and falls off during the cooking. They baste it with melted lard while it roasts, but use no seasoning.

Clemente Pasqualini says

roasts are never highly seasoned. As is done in outdoor cooking in Canada, they are sometimes roasted on a bed or a spit of aromatic wood that lends some flavor to the meat. Canadians might use maple or hickory or fruitwoods.

Pasqualini is a chef in a hotel in Cagliari on the southern tip of Sardinia. He was in Canada for the Sardinian tourist bureau, to prepare the food for publicity parties in Montreal and Toronto.

Another meat dish that can be simply prepared calls for cubed lamb and onions

browned in olive oil. You add one beaten egg per person, and when the eggs are cooked, serve with lemon juice.

Mr. Pasqualini says tradition also has a hand in the way baking is done. Several kinds of dough are given shapes and patterns of animals, faces, monsters.

One type of bread is traditionally baked in such shapes. All the breads on the island are made with hard wheat, and there is another type, a flat, beige cracker-like variety that is called music paper because that's what it looked like to someone.

Some pasta is given a pattern in much the way that butter balls are. Balls of the dough are rolled on carved wood, then cooked briefly in boiling water like any other pasta.

One sauce for it calls for chopped onion cooked yellow in olive oil, tomatoes and salt added, then sausages, cut in small pieces. Serve it on the pasta with parmesan cheese.

An almond paste dessert called *pirchittus* is made of sweet almonds boiled and peeled then mashed with sugar—40 per cent sugar to 60 per cent almonds. The paste is sculpted into whatever

shape amuses the cook, then baked golden.

A sort of tart called *sebadas* begins with a dough of flour, butter and egg white, rolled and cut in circles with a glass.

To make a filling, use a soft, mild cheese such as cottage cheese. Put it in a frying pan, stir it with a fork, add a spoonful of sugar and a dab of white wine. When the mixture has thickened slightly, put spoonfuls on half the circles of dough, top with the other half, press the sides together and fry the tarts on both sides in olive oil. Serve them hot with honey.

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PERSONAL MENTION

By Dorothy Wrotnowski

One of the most hard-working groups across the country is the Consumers' Association of Canada. It is a relatively small group, about 20,000, that does a tremendous job of looking out for Mrs. Housewife.

In fact some of the dedicated members here think this membership is much too small for the importance of the work, to the average home. These 20,000 women are at the moment working for 20 million people.

Right now the group are working on the labelling of garments by symbol, a system which has worked well in Sweden for a number of years.

True, many garments today have instructions as to cleaning attached on a little card. But what happens if the card gets lost? Much easier if a symbol was marked right on the material.

Freight rates, advertising costs and drug prices are three other subjects under scrutiny by the group, to name a few.

Vera Ball, president of the Victoria Branch, and Helen Forrest, publicity, were in

see me Thursday morning to tell me about the visit of Miss Frances Janzen, national executive secretary.

Miss Janzen is on a tour getting to know the different branches. She arrives here Monday morning and will go first to a coffee party to be given by Barbara Rolfe, at her Cedar Hill Crossroad home. Other guests will be provincial executive members of which Mrs. Rolfe is one.

Then the secretary will be on the Noon Show with Mrs. Orlowski before attending a no host luncheon in Eaton's at 12:30 p.m. If a CAC member wishes to attend this luncheon they should contact Elizabeth Mills, 385-5106.

Miss Janzen is a newcomer to CAC. A native of Saskatoon, Frances Janzen graduated in 1967 from the University of Saskatchewan with a BSc in Home Economics.

Drill Team Ailing?

Whatever has happened to the Victoria Girls' Drill Team? This smart stepping group resplendent in their white satin slacks with side stripes of red, gold braided white satin jackets, red and blue winging eagles and plumed satin majorette caps marched in numbers at almost every important function for many years. They also represented Victoria in other Canadian cities and across the border.

"Everyone seems to have forgotten us," says Evelyn Wickett, a member of five years standing.

There are only about 36 of us left and there used to be at least 80 members, adds Linda Curry who joined the team four and a half years ago.

Both girls feel badly about the decline of the Team and fail to understand why more girls are not interested. They themselves say they have a lot of fun with the Team and as practice comes only once a week at the Bay Street Armouries, it doesn't cut into other activities to any extent.

The team or rather Corps to give the correct name, was founded in 1938 by the late Capt. Norman Foster. He did this to help worthy causes and to bring publicity to Victoria.

And that is exactly what the Corps did — appearing at the

May Day Parade, the Seattle Fun Fair, the Calgary Stampede.

It still does but can 36 girls make the impression that a group of 80 or so would?

Up until a few short years ago there was a waiting list and now there is nothing.

In fact, Jack Shrimpton who took over from Capt. Foster, is seriously thinking of disbanding the Corps unless there is a change for the better.

Would be a pity. Here are the simple qualifications for membership. Girls must be in good health and of good character. Weight must be in proportion to height and the age limit is between 16 and 21 years and the status, single.

Applicants must complete a short training period before becoming an active member.

Uniforms are the property of the Corps and the only expense to members are shoes, socks and gloves.

All members are eligible to compete for the Batsch's Perpetual Trophy which comes with a silver tray. The tray is kept by the trophy winner.

Awards are based on points won by the individual member during the year.

Robbie Robertson, ex RCMP drill instructor.

School Shows New Styles

By TRUDY KEMP

The newest "new" look from London was shown at Oak Bay Junior High School Wednesday evening to a capacity crowd of style conscious women. The unique feature about the showing was that the maxi-length ensemble was not purchased from some exclusive shop and modelled by a professional model from one of the leading fashion houses.

The outfit was made and modelled by Mrs. Shirley Plater, a student in Mrs. Ilse Hamilton's dressmaking and tailoring class in the adult education division of the Greater Victoria School Board.

It was the latest look in a walking suit and was in a wine colored mohair tweed, featuring a slim fitting maxi-skirt with Dior pleat. The slim, darted jacket in the-linee length was fashioned with large buttons "marching" down the back from collar to hemline. Added accent was a huge bow on tone at front neckline.

This was only one of many fashionable outfits modelled by their creators at the annual fashion show presented by the sewing classes of the adult education division and sponsored by the sewing teachers.

To the delight of the predominately female audience, Mr. Ed Seymour proudly modelled a smartly tailored wool check sports jacket which his wife had made for him in Mrs. Monica Akle's dressmaking and tailoring class. At the same time Mrs. Seymour modelled an attractive two-piece afternoon dress in deep rose silk brocade which she had also made in class.

Fair for fashion was evident in the elegant hostess gowns, colorful hostess pants ensembles, fun to wear party outfits and sport togs displayed at the beginning of the

two-hour show. These attractive costumes were the expert work of the students in Mrs. Ursula Redwood's pattern drafting and designing class.

Pretty, smocked dresses for the wee tot, modelled by several little scene stealers, pointed out that this is the year for the feminine girl in fashion no matter what her age. The children's clothes were made by mothers and grandmothers of the young models while attending Mrs. Lillian Cottam's dressmaking class.

A sophisticated floor-length gown, in pale green eyelash metallic fabric, and curved to fit the figure; a slim fitting formal gown in luxurious green velvet, and lovely dressing gowns in light, airy quilted fabric, were only a few of the exquisite outfits made by students in Mrs. Margaret Gifford's elementary and intermediate dressmaking class.

The students in Mrs. Anne Park's elementary class were

not to be outdone and their smartly styled one and two-piece outfits belied the fact that many of them were beginners in the art of dressmaking.

Slipper length formal gowns and attractive "at home" dresses and dressing gowns were modelled by students in Mrs. G. Madson's dressmaking class. A number of students in Mrs. S. B. Peterson's dressmaking and tailoring class showed they were ready for Easter when they showed their attractive new outfits — some in the ever popular summer cream-to-white shades.

Fashionable spring co-ordinates featuring coats and matching hats, worn with dresses or suits in same or complementary tones, were among the many expertly tailored ensembles modelled by Mrs. Cottam's dressmaking and tailoring students.

Some of Mrs. Cottam's students accented their ball gowns with shoes covered in matching fabric — another fashion touch they learned in class.

Some 100 students in the adult division took part in the show which attracted a crowd of 650. The net sum of \$350 was realized and will be used for adult education.

Miss Mariel Johnson opened the show and Mr. R. P.

Myrea welcomed the guests. Miss Helen E. Belmes was commentator and Mr. Steve Barclay, organist.

Attractive floral display in the lobby was arranged by Mrs. Theo Wiggan, instructor of floral arranging class. Floral arrangement in the cafeteria for the tea which followed the show was done by Mrs. Wiggan's students, Mrs. K. Despot, Mrs. L. Zonneveld, and Mrs. Eugene Hook.

Assisting with fashion show were Mrs. Oliver Summers, Mrs. Reg Myrea, Mrs. J. Boyd, Mrs. J. S. White, Mrs. J. H. Dalgleish, Mrs. H. Holden, Mrs. J. Carr, Miss Pat Newman, Mrs. W. Molard, Mrs. B. Walker, Mrs. Peter Moore, and Miss Maureen Sangster.

Among those assisting with refreshments were Mrs. D. Dyer, Mrs. H. Gregson, Mrs.

T. De la Mare, Mrs. R. Strange, Mrs. I. Varikonji, Mrs. T. Dabek, Mrs. D. Darrell, Mrs. R. McKellan, Mrs. J. Ashough, and Mrs. M. Casey.

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WINNIPEG (CP) — Irene Miller, confined to a wheelchair since a 1953 car accident, is Manitoba's sports woman of the year for 1967.

The attractive 34-year-old blonde, a switchboard operator, was named winner of the award Wednesday night at a sportswomen's dinner.

Miss Miller, whose spinal

cord was severed in the car crash, was a gold medal winner in swimming during last summer's paraplegic games here and took a silver medal for club throw and the bronze for javelin, discus throw and 60-metre dash.

Now she wants to take up rifle shooting.

Other nominees were bowler

Dylls Turner, speed skater Doreen McCannell, golfer Tammy Aspegiv, curler Joan Ingram and track star John Madden.

Famed Patient Left \$45,622

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — An estate amounting to \$45,622 and naming his widow as sole beneficiary was left by Louis Weshkewsky, the South African wholesale grocer who became the world's first heart-transplant patient and then died 18 days later of pneumonia.

AMY

By Jack Tippit



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Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I just read the letter from "Miss Honest," the high school girl who believes in free love and sees nothing wrong with going to bed with a boy if she "likes him as a person."

That letter could have been written by me, five years ago. I put up the same foolish arguments. Here is how my life turned out, and I am only 22.

I was married at 17 — three months pregnant. Bill and I have been married three years and have been separated five times. I started divorce proceedings six months ago and discovered I was pregnant so we called off the divorce and are trying to work things out.

I am so tired of sex I could scream. It used to be the beginning and end of the world and now I hate the thought of it. I realize I am not being fair to Bill and I am sorry.

I talked to my doctor about this and he told me that due

to my early promiscuity I have become disoriented sexually and I need psychiatric help. I had to go look up a few words in the dictionary and what it boils down to is that I am around so much when I was in my early teens that sex lost its value and importance to me and now it is disgusting.

I hope Miss Free Love (and all the other young girls who think they can play this game and get away with it) will learn something from my experience. Believe me, Ann, I am — PAYING DEARLY.

Dear Paying: Thanks for sharing. I hope you will take your doctor's advice. The first step is understanding the problem, and you do, so now get going.

Busy Nail Biter

Dear Ann Landers: Our 12-year-old son has been a nail biter since childhood. I don't recall ever seeing Buddy with his fingers in his mouth at least not in the past five or six years, so he must do the biting in private. Yesterday he was walking around barefooted and I noticed that Buddy's toenails are also very short. They look very much like his fingernails. I asked him if he cuts his toenails with a scissors and he said,

NO. What do you make of this? — BAFLED

Dear Baffled: Are you suggesting that your son bites his toenails? This likelihood is highly improbable.

There is a possibility that Buddy has a disease of the nails — both finger and toe — which stunts the growth. Take him to a doctor. If there is no evidence of disease, the boy is probably picking off his toenails and biting his fingernails.

Terrible Handwriting

Dear Ann Landers: I happen to be one of those unfortunate people who has terrible handwriting. I just can't seem to get the words down so people can read them.

Recently I sent a note of condolence to a friend whose husband had passed away. It

was typewritten. I later heard that I had committed a grave social error. Such notes, I was told, in no uncertain terms should always be handwritten. What about this? — PERPLEXED

Dear Per: Better a typewritten note than a handwritten one no one can read.

Great-Grandparents Special Guests

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. McGregor was christened recently in St. John's Anglican Church by Canon Graham B. Baker. He received the names Dion Corey. Godparents are Miss Judith McGregor, Mr. T. Robinson, and Mr. D. T. Reed of New Westminster. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John A. McGregor and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. McDougall. Special guests at the ceremony were the baby's great-grandparents, Mrs. D. Brown of Vancouver, Mrs. and Mrs. A. McDougall, and Mr. W. H. Harris.

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Talented French Chef Inspires Housewives

MONTREAL (CP) — When Monsieur Barnard performs, the chatter from his 30 or more pupils, most of them housewives and talented cooks, ceases.

Henri Xavier Barnard has been inspiring Montreal housewives and cooking enthusiasts for the last few years with a series of classes at his Institut d'Art Culinaire in downtown Montreal.

Not only do his courses provide the interested homemaker with some of the most delicious French and Canadian recipes, but the chef teaches her how to pour wine from a bottle when adding it to a savory dish.

"Comme ça-liké this," he says, placing a thumb over the mouth of the bottle and allowing just enough of the golden or red liquid to sprinkle his turkey or tourtiere.

Working deftly, he picks up a handful of salt or flour and sprinkles it lightly between fingertips, never letting a lot — "always a little" — pass through his fingers while he snaps his wrist as though he were flipping a yo-yo.

"Mixing, stirring, chopping,

Last Word On Fashion

MONTREAL (CP) — A Montreal dress designer, Marie-Paule Nolin, says fashions should be made to last at least five years. Women should avoid all extremes in fashions and never underestimate the importance of cut and finishing.

SPRING OPENING

Ladies of Uplands Golf Club will hold their spring opening foursome, followed by a luncheon at 12:30 p.m., March 26. Active and social members are invited and are requested to make reservations early. A prize will be given for the most original hat worn by a member off the first tee.

all these are as important as selecting the proper and fine cuts of meat, fresh vegetables and following instructions for the correct amount of ingredients," says the expert who, while in London, prepared tempting dishes for the Duke of Windsor.

When it comes to chopping, merely wedging a knife along

the food to be carved just isn't done.

Taking three garlic buds, Monsieur Barnard lined them up on a wooden board. He picked up a huge meat chopper, turned it on its side and proceeded to spat-splat-splat, flattening the three tiny buds.

Scooping the remains into a pile he then chopped furiously,

reducing them almost to a powder.

"Now they are ready to be added to whatever it is you are making," he said.

On this occasion, the chef was preparing a complete dinner which featured a roast pig, with pork, veal and wild rabbit laced with a half cup of dry Chablis or Burgundy.

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Clinics: 1. Health Office, 1947 Cook Street
2. Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Avenue
3. Jubilee Hall, Fraser Street, Esquimalt

2. PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN (Ages 1 to 6)

Municipalities of Saanich, Central Saanich, North Saanich and Sidney — School children vaccinated in the schools. Pre-school children (ages 1 to 6) vaccinated free Saturday, March 23rd. Residents of these municipalities ONLY, at:

1. Sidney Health Office: 1 to 4 p.m.
2. Saanich Health Office, 720 Vernon Avenue: 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

3. PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN (Ages 1 to 6)

Unorganized areas of Colwood, Metcheson, Langford and Sooke — Elementary school children vaccinated in the schools (ages 6 to 12) free. Pre-school children (ages 1 to 6) at Clinics on Saturday, March 23rd, 1 to 4 p.m. Cost \$2.50 per child.

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Toddlers Finding Fun In New Area—Water

Story and Picture
From JIM BYAN

There is something new on the agenda at Jimmy Crickets kindergarten—swimming lessons.

Twice a week for half-hour sessions, tiny toddlers from the age of three upwards paddle, splash and float in the 88-degree water to their heart's content at the Pacific Swim School on Pear Street.

The water babies are taking to the pool like ducks to a pond.

Says chief instructor John Dunn: "They are here to have fun." And fun is obviously what the toddlers were having during one recent class of eight boys and five girls.

"Once they get over their initial fear of the water—it's a strange element to them—and the idea of leaving their mothers, they can learn to float in about three lessons," says Mr. Dunn.

"If you can get a youngster

to put his face in the water, you can teach him to float," he adds.

"We let them know that they are here to have fun," says Mr. Dunn. The next step is to keep their attention.

With luck, a child can be taught to float in three lessons but the average is about eight.

"Not everyone can be taught to swim," Mr. Dunn

points out — "but anyone can float."

Of the 135 youngsters attending Jimmy Crickets, about 80 are taking regular swimming lessons.

All Pettersen, who runs Jimmy Crickets with his wife and mother, believes the kindergarten is the first in the area to offer swimming lessons.

"One of the important things about these classes," he says, "is to get a child used to the water before any idea of fear of it is implanted in him."

The archaic idea of simply tossing a child in the water and letting him "sink or swim" is nonsense, says instructor Dunn.

"You'll either make or break a child that way," says Mr. Dunn. "You are throwing him into an element that he knows nothing about. Swimming is like walking—it has to be learned in stages."

Adds Mr. Pettersen: "Swimming is something like making a first appearance on the stage—there's an element of anxiety to it."

Civic Union Aids Burns Fund

Local 50 of the Civic Employees union donated \$250 Wednesday night to the A. W. Toomey memorial burns treatment centre to be added at St. Joseph's Hospital.

The donation, by cheque, was turned over at a meeting of the Victoria Labor Council.

The council is currently conducting a labor-management campaign to raise \$50,000 for the special five-patient unit which will cost about \$150,000.

Victoria Might Foot Jaycees' Party Bill

A bill for \$550 for a "welcome night" for a national convention of Jaycees here in June will be picked up by the city if council approves a Thursday recommendation of its finance committee.

In a letter to the city, the Junior Chamber of Commerce pointed out it was customary for cities to take care of the opening celebrations when a national convention is held.

In the opinion of Ald. Percy Frampton, this placed the city in a difficult position.

"It's always a problem. Should we or should we not?" he asked.

MAYOR'S VIEW

Mayor Hugh Stephen agreed. It was not policy to sponsor such affairs, he said, but on the other hand, Victoria shouldn't be put in the position of always turning down such requests.

"After all, these are the leaders of the future," he observed.

Ald. Robert Baird said he was somewhat disenchanted by the intermunicipal approach to such problems. He wondered if the Jaycees' convention was being held in Saanich, at the Red Lion, for example, instead of the Empress Hotel, if Saanich would be willing to contribute \$550 toward the cost of a dance and "light refreshments."

SAANICH SHARE

It was intermunicipal committee policy to reject such requests, replied Mayor Stephen, but he couldn't recall one instance where Saanich failed to pick up its share of the cost when the city agreed to sponsor an intermunicipal event. He suggested in this instance Victoria might offer to pay a part rather than all of the cost of the reception.

"If we're going to spend \$400,

we might as well pay the whole shot," said Ald. Frampton. "After all, these are young people and we want them to come back to our community in the future."

OTHERS AGREE

Other members of the committee agreed.

A letter from the mayor of Calgary asking the city to contribute \$2,000 toward the cost of staging a massive urban transportation conference in Toronto in February, 1969, was tabled pending a referral to the Greater Victoria Intermunicipal Committee.

The Victoria Minor Hockey Association, in a letter to the mayor, withdrew its request for a civic grant of \$1,000. A factor

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James Bland

Library Expert Dies

James Allan Bland, the librarian at Victoria Law Courts who was known among lawyers across Canada, has died at the age of 91.

He was librarian for the Victoria Law Society from 1899 until his retirement in 1964, a total of 65 years. Mr. Bland died Sunday at his home, 1049 Richmond.

He started as a messenger at the old courthouse on Bastion Square in 1894, and five years later took charge of the library.

Born in Victoria, Mr. Bland is survived by his wife, Muriel, at home, and three daughters who live here and in Vancouver. A private funeral service was held Tuesday at Hayward's.

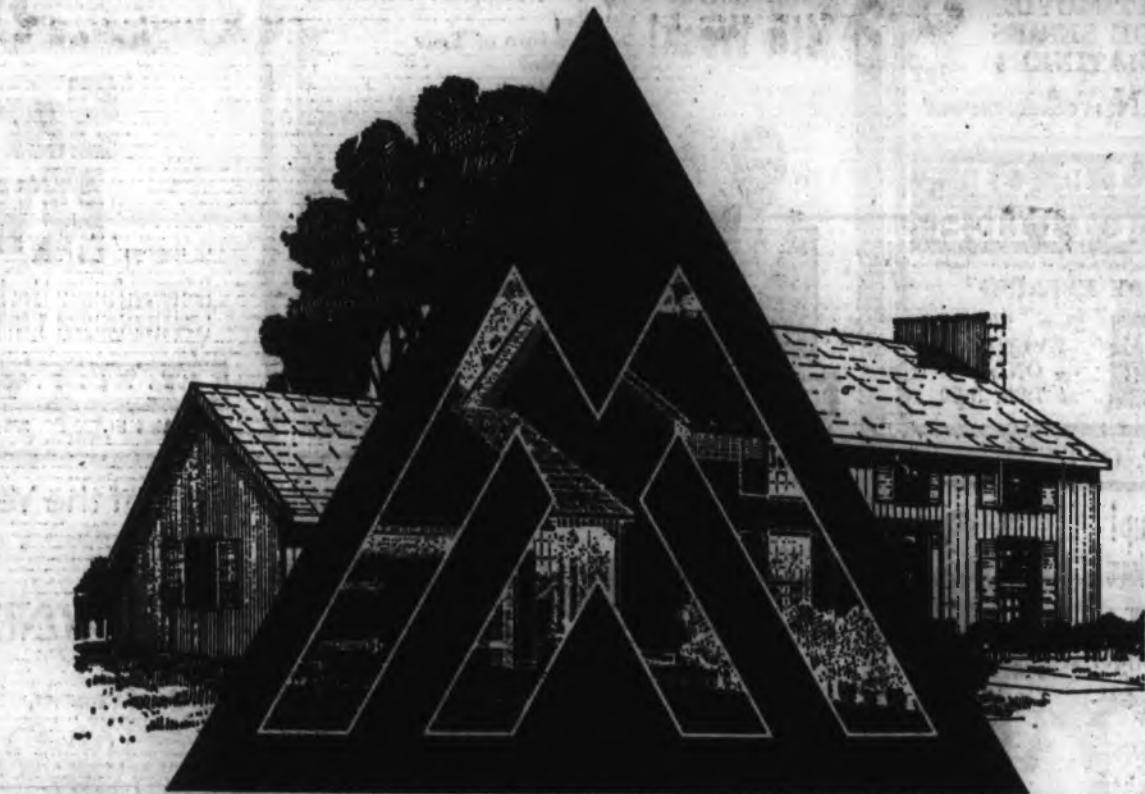


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"All it takes is one local bird to squeal that Victoria has a wonderful climate and we may be in for trouble," said David Stirling, director of the Victoria Natural History Society.

Among weapons planned to fight the birds are guns that fire automatically, creating loud booms; tape recorders sounding the starling's warning cry; and poison.



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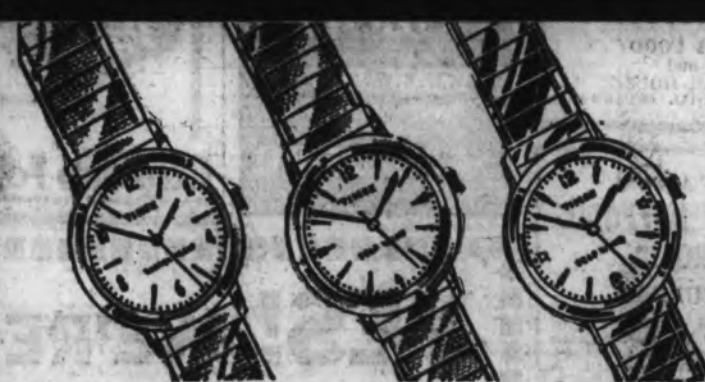
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Air Canada Jet Slips Into Mud

GANDER, Nfld. (CP) — An Air Canada DC-8 jet slipped from a runway into the mud while taxiing to the terminal after landing here normally Thursday.

A spokesman for Air Canada said the plane, en route from London to Halifax, was turning from one runway on to another when it struck a patch of ice and slipped 75 feet.

None of the 75 passengers and 10 crew members aboard was hurt. Passengers included the Duke and Duchess of Hamilton, on their way to Halifax to take part in the 200th anniversary celebration of the Halifax North British Society.

Meetings

- Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce board of directors, Empress, noon.
- University of Alberta Alumni Art Gallery, 7:30 p.m.
- Cleft Lip-Palate Rehabilitation Society, Spencerhouse, 8 p.m.

SPOT Dance On Tonight

Seaside teenagers between the ages of 15 and 18 are invited to a dance at Reynolds Road school tonight from 8 to 11:30 p.m.

The dance is being organized by the SPOT Club—the Seaside police organization for teens—and music will be provided by the Pharoahs. A special floor show will feature Toni Sinclair from Vancouver.

Little Mountain
VANCOUVER (CP) — City council has agreed to legal terms accepting from the Bled Foundation the gift of a \$1,100,000 forest conservatory for Little Mountain. It will be erected on the west side of the hill in Queen Elizabeth Park.

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After LSD, Beating Evidence

Actor's Wife Gets Divorce

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Debonair actor Cary Grant was divorced Thursday by his young actress wife, Dyan Cannon, who testified he used the psychedelic drug LSD and once beat her with his fists.

Grant, 64, was given a total of 60 days' visitation rights annually with his daughter, Jennifer, but Superior Court Judge Robert A. Wenke ruled that the 2-year-old girl could not remain with Grant overnight unless a governor is present.

The judge also ruled that the girl may not be taken from the country without written permission of both parents or a court order.

Miss Cannon, 30, had argued during the two-day divorce hearing that the girl should not be with Grant at any time without a nurse and never be permitted to remain overnight with him. She claimed that because he used LSD he was unstable.

But after attorneys for the couple agreed Thursday to stipulate that Grant had not used the hallucinogenic drug since early 1968, the judge ruled that the issue no longer was germane.

Thursday's testimony included charges that Grant wanted to break his wife "like a porcupine" and hoped she would suffer a nervous breakdown so her personality could be remade with LSD.

His attorney, Harry Fain, leveled biting sarcasm at Miss Cannon. He said she knew before the marriage what kind of man Grant was.

"We don't have a naïve little lamb coming into marriage and not knowing about her husband," Fain said.

LIMITED ALIMONY

The actress, who claimed Grant's fortune totalled \$10,000,000, was granted \$1,500 monthly child support plus \$300 monthly for a governess.

She also was awarded limited

alimony by the judge, who noted the marriage lasted only 17 months. She will receive \$2,250 for six months, \$1,750 for 18 months after that and \$1,000 monthly for another year.

The judge also ordered Grant to pay Miss Cannon's attorney \$10,000 in addition to \$15,000 already paid him by the actor. The attorney had sought an additional \$25,000.

Wenke also issued a temporary restraining order to prohibit Grant and Miss Cannon from making remarks about the other in front of their daughter.

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Streetcar Starts Victoria Run

Appearing at Victoria night spot Nine in the Fifth Place, 1313 Government, tonight and Saturday, is Vancouver blues group Hydro Electric Streetcar. Members, from left, Danny McInnes, Paul Rudolph, David Kee and Al Wiebe. Paul is former Victoria resident who played lead guitar with Fast Flying Vestibule, which disbanded. Danny has been singing folk songs in Vancouver for several years. Group has played at Bistro and Retinal Circus in Vancouver.

Beekeeping Course Planned

Provincial apiarist John Corner and pollination expert Douglas Oldershaw will give lectures to beekeepers and others who are interested in apiculture during a four-day course next week.

The course on Monday through Thursday evenings is being presented by the Vancouver Island Division of the B.C. Honey Producers Association and the Provincial agricultural department.

It will be held at the Federal Forestry Building and registration will take place at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

World in Films

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WARD HUNT ISLAND (UPI) — High winds and dense fog Thursday stalled the progress of six men trying to reach the North Pole on snowmobiles.

The men radioed their base camp here in the frozen North West Territories of Canada that the rigorous weather, which included temperatures of 25 degrees below zero, forced them to remain in their tents.

AWAIT SUPPLIES

Expedition leader Ralph Flaisted, an insurance man from St. Paul, Minn., said they were still awaiting an air drop of fuel and other supplies.

The fuel was badly needed, he said, to keep their electricity generator going, which provides heat and powers the expedition's radio transmitter.

The snowmobilers estimated another 410 miles remained between them and the pole.

which they hope to reach before the thawing winds of early May break up the ice cap.

The group left its base camp March 7 and moved slowly because of treacherous pressure ridges and rough weather. The best advance thus far has been eight miles in about 18 hours.

Despite the turtle-like progress, the group still was ahead of its schedule last year when it was forced to turn back 370 miles from the pole because of thawing.

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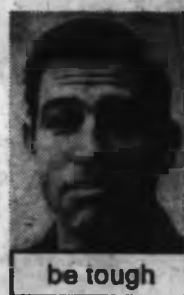


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Harris, Baes announce wedding plans at press conference

Genovese Killer Recaptured

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Fugitive convicted killer Winston Moseley Thursday gave himself up after being trapped in an apartment building. Moseley, serving a life term for killing New York City barmaid Kitty Genovese, 28, in 1964, escaped from Meyer Memorial Hospital in Buffalo after slugging a guard.

Before his capture, Moseley had held a husband and wife captive in a house in central Buffalo for more than an hour. Mrs. Matthew Kulaga reported that he raped her after binding her husband.

Names In the News

Leader Stanfield said his party is committed to tackling the Indian problem in Canada "with a greater concern, sympathy and sense of urgency."

WASHINGTON — President Johnson found support from former chancellor Ludwig Erhard of West Germany who told him it has become "fashionable" and "so cheap" to criticize America's role in Vietnam.

VATICAN CITY — Pope Paul has received from President Tito of Yugoslavia a message on world peace. No details were given.

SEATTLE — King Olav V of Norway will visit Seattle from April 30 to May 3 during a tour.

Hippies Studied In Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP) — City council has agreed to set up again its special committee dealing with hippies. The three-member ad hoc committee was dissolved last year after compiling a report on hippies. It will discuss social, police and health problems involving them.

WASHINGTON — Sen. Robert Kennedy's three-year-old son Matthew was reported "much improved" at Georgetown University Hospital where he is being treated for pneumonia.

CALGARY — Opposition

of the United States. The visit will be the first to the U.S. by a Norwegian monarch, but as the crown prince, Olav and his wife, Princess Martha, came to Seattle in 1939 and 1942. The princess died in 1954.

BERLIN — Gerhard Eisler, 71, who fled the United States in 1949 to become a high-ranking East German Communist propagandist, has died.

TORONTO — Foreign policy, constitutional changes and foreign control of Canadian companies are three main questions facing Canada's next prime minister, says Walter Gordon.

HOLLYWOOD — Patricia Harty and Michael Callan, co-stars in TV series Occasional

Wife, have announced wedding plans but haven't set the date.

OTTAWA — Two New Brunswick men — Donald Allan McLean, 61, of Black's Harbor, and Herve Michaud, 55, of Fredericton — have been sworn into the Senate.

Three Nabbed In Drug Plot

DELTA (CP) — Three Vancouver residents have been charged with drug offences arising from discovery of a cultivated marijuana plot in a field in this Vancouver suburb. Police said Kenneth George McManus, Richard Harold Fehman and Brenda Rose Champagne, all 21 years, were arrested in the field.

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Missing—Two Chinese

By DAVE MCINTOSH

OTTAWA (CP) — Where are Mr. Pu and Mr. Yao?

The two Chinese Communists, employees of Hsinhua or New China news agency, left their swank apartment here in October, 1966.

Pu Chao Min and Yao Jen Liu left behind some clothing and other personal belongings, saying they would return in a couple of months.

They haven't been seen here since. But regularly, every month, a cheque for \$185 arrives from Peking to keep up the rent on empty furnished apartment 901 in a

building where at least one cabinet minister lives.

Mr. Pu's name is still listed on a mail box in the lobby.

Western counter-espionage services describe the New China news agency as a front for a Communist Chinese intelligence service.

Mr. Pu and Mr. Yao used to be shadowed by the RCMP during their days here when they were members of the parliamentary press gallery.

Mr. Pu is — or was — the reporter for the agency and Mr. Yao his interpreter. However, informants said Mr. Pu spoke perfect English.

The building's management

forwards to Hsinhua, 26 Kuo Hsueh Chieh, Peking, all mail Yao which is labelled "please forward."

Most of the mail comprises newspapers and magazines from the U.S. and many other countries and after 18 months there is a fair stack of it in apartment 901.

One source suggested that addressed to Mr. Pu and Mr. Yao the apartment management may unwittingly be acting as a mail drop or courier. However, the RCMP apparently has not visited the apartment since the two left.

Informants say Mr. Pu filed reports to Peking while a member of the press gallery.

Most of the reports concerned elements in the U.S. opposed to the war in Vietnam.

Intelligence sources said Hsinhua has maintained offices in Ottawa and Mexico City to cull information from American military and technical journals.

No Conference for Cowan

Grits Likely to Bar Rebel

OTTAWA (CP) — Action to remove Liberal MP Ralph B. Cowan from the list of voting delegates and tighten the eligibility rules for candidates at the Liberal leadership convention was forecast Thursday by Senator John Nichol, president of the National Liberal Federation.

The Vancouver senator said the question of whether to allow the rebellious Mr. Cowan to hold credentials is being discussed and "I anticipate he will not be a delegate."

OPPOSED TAX

The final decision on the MP for York-Humber will be made by the convention's organizing committee Monday, April 1. The convention opens here April 4 with voting set for Saturday, April 6.

Last week the Liberal parli-

amentary caucus voted to stop inviting Mr. Cowan to its meetings and Wednesday the Commons passed a government motion bouncing him off five Commons committees.

Mr. Cowan is in the party's bad books for voting against a government income tax bill and criticizing Prime Minister Pearson.

Senator Nichol, who will be co-chairman of the convention, told a news conference additional safeguards are being studied to eliminate what he termed "non-serious" candidates from the vote.

Meanwhile:

● Finance Minister Sharp, whose campaigning for the Liberal party's leadership was curtailed by recent parliamentary events, hits the road in earnest over the weekend.

Within 10 days, he will have

visited every province in his bid to succeed Prime Minister Pearson.

● External Affairs Minister Martin said in Edmonton that if he becomes prime minister after next month's leadership convention, he will have the government meet from time to time in various parts of the country. Such a measure, he said, would increase Liberal influence throughout Canada.

● Forestry Minister Sauve has announced his support for External Affairs Minister Martin as Liberal party leader. He is Mr. Martin's first announced ally within the federal cabinet.

● In St. Catharines, Trade Minister Robert Winters promised to reduce the number of government departments and cabinet ministers if he is elected the next prime minister of Canada.

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BIRTHS

BLANEY—Born to Mr. and Mrs.

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Kevin James. A brother for Kim,

Mark, Chris and Debbie.

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BRAMHAM—Born to Mr. and Mrs.

M. J. Bramham (now Ball), 721

Porter Road, Victoria, B.C., at the

Royal Jubilee Hospital, on March 16,

1968, a daughter, Wendy Leigh.

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CORRICK—Born to Keith and

Heather Corrick, 3875 Wilfrid

Road, at the Royal Jubilee Hos-

pital, on March 18, 1968, a first

daughter, Tracy Leanne. A sister

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ENGLAND—Born to Mr. and Mrs.

D. C. England, 2700 Ash Road,

Victoria, B.C., at the Royal Jubilee

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WHYTE—Born to Shirley and

Don Whyte, 212 Irving Road,

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BARRITT—At St. Mary's Priory,

Langford, B.C., on March 21, 1968,

Mrs. Catherine Barritt, nee

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CROCKER—In Victoria on March

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Life of Adventure

Mass Killing Threatened

By RUTH MCKELLAR

COURTENAY — Vilhelm Schjelderup began an adventurous life sailing to school down the fjords of Norway. He was born at Kristiansand in 1885, later becoming a surveyor and skier.

His father was Bishop of Norway and a member of an old and distinguished Scandinavian family.

As a young man he left his engineering studies in Oslo for a life at sea, sailing before the mast in windjammers. Later he worked on ships in the Caribbean and was wounded when he became involved in a revolution in Haiti.

INDIAN THREAT

Among his assignments when he came to B.C. as a surveyor was to survey the Kitwano Indian Reserve on the Skeena River. It resulted in an Indian uprising and the threatened massacre of the survey parties under Mr. Schjelderup's leadership.

This was in 1926, believed to be the last Indian uprising in North America.

While in Burns Lake, B.C., as he was known, and several other Scandinavian skiers (including world champion Nels Nelson) fostered the initial development of skiing in B.C.

HOBBIE TO PLANE

He participated in an exciting era of pioneer surveying in the province, watching it progress from pack horse, canoe, Model

T Ford to the advanced electronics-packed aircraft of today. At the age of 82, he died recently in St. Joseph's Hospital, Comox.

Mr. Schjelderup was always present at Remembrance Day parades and was a proud member of the Royal Canadian Legion. He was also a member of the Courtenay Rotary Club.

PRIVATE PRACTICE

In the early 1930s, those hard depression years, the Schjelderups left Burns Lake and re-established themselves in Courtenay after three years in Victoria. Continuously since his arrival in 1933, until a relatively short time before his death, Mr. Schjelderup carried on private practice in land surveying.

He was a widely-known and highly respected life member of the Association of British Columbia Land Surveyors.

CALGARY COMMANDER

Mr. Schjelderup is survived by his widow, Edythe, his daughter, Mrs. R. N. Robson, Witham, Essex, England, and two sons: Colonel V. R. Schjelderup, presently commander of CFB Calgary; and Dr. H. C. Schjelderup, director of research with Douglas Aircraft Co. in California; and nine grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers: Bishop Kristian Schjelderup, Kristiansand, Norway, and Professor Harald Schjelderup of Oslo University.

A memorial service will be held shortly.



Pipe Dream

Installation of sewer system in south end of North Cowichan is proceeding on schedule, should be ready by end of this summer. Cost of pipe laying, by Chew Excavating Co., Victoria, is about \$390,000. New system will serve 600 people and three schools in Cowichan school district. Stewart LeBlanc, Al LeBlanc, in ditch, and Harold Hamilton, right, all of Duncan, are shown at work on Highland Avenue. North Cowichan Reeve Donald Morton said scheme will include sewage disposal lagoon in conjunction with city of Duncan. — (Klaus Muen-ter)

Island Woods

Big Firms Attacked

By BILL STAVDAL

"Corporate banana republics" are being created on northern Vancouver Island by large forest industries, Opposition MLA Robert Williams charged in the legislature Thursday.

Mr. Williams, member for Vancouver East, said large areas of the Island — and the mainland too — were being economically dominated by the big firms.

He said small operators were becoming subservient to the timber giants, and that the government has made almost no provision for recreation on the North Island while granting cutting licences.

Mr. Williams' accusations came during debate on the estimates of Lands and Forests Minister Ray Williston.

Mr. Williams said the large firms' control of road access was in effect giving them complete control of the areas on which they held licences. The public now needs permits from these firms to travel on northern Vancouver Island, he said, and named Tahsis, Canadian Forest Products, Crown Zellerbach, Rayonier and MacMillan Bloedel Ltd.

Altogether, he said, they control half the Island. Large areas are "fully dominated" by the firms, said the MLA.

MacMillan Bloedel owns most of the land in Port McNeil, he said.

"In Port Alice, Rayonier owns everything. What kind of local community democracy can we

have in this situation?" he asked.

In the Nimpkish Valley of the north Island, tree farm licences were granted without any recreation provisions being made, he said.

Former small independent logging companies had become contractors to the big firms, he said.

"They are essentially becoming shareholders in their own forest."

At government hearings on licence applications, small businesses and individuals were afraid to complain against the big companies, said Mr. Williams.

"It's a frightening thing, and something the minister should not tolerate."

He called for a royal commission into the government's "mismanagement or undermanagement" of the forests.

Mr. Williams recalled that the Sloan Royal Commission of 1956 recommended that another such royal commission be held in about 10 years.

Mr. Williston did not reply to Mr. Williams' charges.

A North Island public health nurse was unable to attend a baby clinic last year because she couldn't cross roads owned by forest industries, Robert Williams said later in the day.

He renewed his charge that the population of the North Island is at a disadvantage in dealing with "the forest giants."

Mr. Williams told the Legislature that an unnamed public health nurse stationed in Port Hardy tried three times to cross privately-owned roads to attend a baby clinic at Port Alice.

She was turned away three times, he said.

Mr. Williams said the population of the North Island can't build a regional hospital as long as road access is restricted by the forest firms.

"The hospital can't work without a free road system," he said. "There has to be a free road system."

"The public shouldn't have to move through in the dead of night."

Festival Features New, Unusual

By BERT BINNY

While the 28th annual Schools Drama Festival was nearing its final night on Thursday, the standard of performance continued high and the tendency towards the new and unusual remained in evidence.

The program at St. Ann's Academy opened with Not Far From the Glaciosa Tree by the host school.

The all-girl cast, directed by Kay Howard, achieved great distinction. So impressive was their playing, individually and collectively, that they had the capacity audience entranced to the point of utter silence.

In the final analysis this play can never appeal because of dynamic action or even resounding oratory. But the players concentrated on its strong point — exquisitely drawn characterization. Their points of difference were admirably delineated.

Adjudicator Richard Courtney summed up what must surely have also been the general opinion.

"An excellent production," he said, "with high calibre acting throughout the cast of seven."

He found the opening "good" and ending "brilliant." And if that isn't going from power to power, what is?

Hewers of Coal was the next production, presented by St. Michael's School.

This performance had two strikes against it inasmuch as the setting was too dark and the interval between the two scenes was too long. Both shortcomings spell serious loss of atmosphere.

As to the actual playing a good deal of subtle finesse was required, as the adjudicator said, "to get away with it." And he added: "Sometimes it did; sometimes it didn't."

Mt. Douglas Easy Winner

Mt. Douglas dominated a three-high school relay meet at Centennial Stadium Wednesday, winning five of the seven events at the mixed track meet.

Mt. Douglas finished with 98 points followed by Claremont with 58 points and two victories and Esquimalt, 32 points.

Mill Damage \$350,000

LILLOOET (CP) — Damage is estimated at \$350,000 in a saw-mill blaze. An explosion in a compressor started the blaze which took only minutes to destroy the Commercial Lumber Co. mill. The fire left 45 men without jobs, one of the mill owners said.

Signed by Lions

VANCOUVER (CP) — British Columbia Lions of the Western Football Conference have announced the signing of defensive lineman Jim Voss of Washington State University. Voss, 21, a 240-pound, six foot-four line-backer and tackle, withdrew from Washington State last month because of scholastic difficulties.

Of the acting generally he added: "All very well played, very sincere, with melodramatic dialogue that is difficult to deliver."

Hewers of Coal is one of those difficult plays that seems easy. As an experience in drama for the cast and crew it is valuable but the script demands a terrific effort from the players to put it over.

The Recognition Scene from Anastasia came next. The second presentation by St. Ann's, it is by no means a novelty in festivals.

It belongs to two actresses, Anastasia and Dowager Empress, played respectively by

Monica McAleese and Felicity Earnshaw.

Miss Earnshaw was commended for a "fine, clear, strong performance" which, however, "tailed away" a little latterly. The actual recognition scene was "very beautiful."

Miss McAleese provided a "really pitiable character" though her emotional range was somewhat limited.

Student director Paula Allen, "spoke well" and the adjudicator marked her direction as "very good."

Mount View Secondary school ended the evening with two items in the modern idiom.

First came Edward Albee's The Sand Box and then Eulogy

13, written by students Ian Cochrane and Ron Rickings. Mr. Courtney found both offerings "strange." But the Eulogy he described as "most interesting, very modern and alive in its approach."

The Sand Box was "excellent," a "most successful student production." Rick Patterson's Young Man displayed a "lovely sense of comedy" while Daddy, Chris Taylor, was "very good."

As Mommy, Karen Christensen was "a little frantic but gave a delightful study" while Judy Kinch as Grandma was "very funny."

The musician, cellist George Kiraly, was just that — an imperturbable musician.

Eulogy 13 was remarkable for a number of reasons, one being that while seven characters were involved, only one spoke at all. This was the Main Character played by Cameron More who was fresh from directing The Sand Box.

Mr. Courtney praised the play as "a good attempt" but felt that the cast "did not allow the audience to comprehend the thoughts involved, one by one, as they were conceived."

Tonight is the final night of competition with three plays at S. J. Willis Junior Secondary. The items to make up the Honor Performance will be announced following the adjudication.

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'I'm One of Dying Breed'

By IAN STREET
Legislative Reporter

Philip Arthur Gaglardi, on his own say-so one of a dying breed, sat surrounded by momentoes of his 13 years as highways minister in B.C.

The immediate task facing him was to vacate the office cluttered with framed testimonials, portraits of family, an autographed picture of a movie star, and models of the equipment Phil Gaglardi loved to operate.

Suddenly, after running a government department that will spend \$129,000,000 this year,

he was a minister without portfolio and "probably without supporters, too."

Fence Leaper

"Would you do it all over again, Phil?" a reporter asked. "Sure, sure, sure," he replied. "I'm one of a breed that's dying out, you know. I'm an individualist. You're not going to hem me in, mister. If you fellows try, I'm going to leap over those fences."

Phil Gaglardi is proud of the fact that he is a man who knows what he wants from life, and he runs things accordingly. He was asked whether he

considered that he had done wrong, as the opposition charged in a series of disclosures which culminated with his offer to resign as highways minister.

"I guess I've made maybe a million mistakes in my life," he said.

The reporter pressed him. Had he ever intentionally done wrong?

'Who Cares?'

"No, no, no," said Phil Gaglardi. "I don't do those things." What about his future? Would he stay in politics? "Who

cares?" Phil Gaglardi asked. I make that decision day by day. I make up in the morning now just what I'm going to do.

"What's happened, I know, will make a lot of people happy. But some sensible people will be disappointed."

No Regrets

"My decision is based on the needs of the government. I'm not interested personally (in remaining a minister) but the premier, who has always been extremely fair in his judgments, asked me to remain."

"He specifically said he

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An intense and sustained opposition attack brought the resignation Thursday of Philip Gaglardi as minister of highways for the province.

Premier Bennett, who made the announcement to the legislature, will take personal charge of the highways department, which has been rocked by controversy surrounding land speculation and use of government aircraft.

Mr. Gaglardi, who remains in the cabinet as a minister without portfolio, will have his \$17,800-a-year salary as minister cut to \$8,000. He has been asked to vacate his present office, but at the moment no other accommodation has been allocated.

The premier later told reporters ill-health was the reason for Mr. Gaglardi's resignation.

The former highways minister, 55 years old, is still recovering from surgery on an impacted tooth and a jaw cyst. The reason he gave reporters for quitting, however, was his concern that the government was being damaged by attacks on him.

Mr. Bennett refused to answer questions regarding his handling during highways estimates next week of allegations concerning use of the government's executive Lear jet by members of Mr. Gaglardi's family, involvement of the former minister's sons in land developments along highways, and work done by highways employees on Gaglardi ranches.

SECRET TRIP

"Don't try to anticipate the estimates," the premier told reporters.

The announcement of Mr. Gaglardi's resignation — following a hurried secret trip to Government House shortly before 3 p.m. Thursday — touched off a series of actions and reactions.

● Liberal leader Ray Perrault immediately called for a full judicial inquiry into the reasons for the Gaglardi resignation "and all matters attendant thereto." NDP leader Robert Strachan said the premier must make a "full and frank" explanation to the public.

● Premier Bennett announced a strict policy concerning use of government aircraft, implying Mr. Gaglardi's free-wheeling policies which brought the government under heavy attack were wrong.

● The Lear jet, pride of the government's air fleet under Mr. Gaglardi, was ordered returned from Wichita, Kan., where it is being serviced, and grounded until further notice. There were indications that the government may buy out of the lease which runs until 1978.

● There were indications of a further cabinet shuffle "in a few months" after the premier told reporters his personal handling of a highways portfolio was only temporary.

There was an air of crisis in the legislature which, built up through the week and reached a climax Thursday. There were reports that the minister would

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It's Not Enough Say NDP, Grits

Leaders of Opposition parties in the legislature continued to press Thursday for further government action following the announcement that former highways minister Philip Gaglardi would remain in the cabinet.

NDP leader Robert Strachan accused the government of "trying to run away from the issue" and said that if the circumstances were serious enough to warrant Mr. Gaglardi's resignation from the highways portfolio, "he should resign from the cabinet."

"As far as Mr. Gaglardi is still within the cabinet and he is still an adviser to the lieutenant-governor-in-council," the Opposition leader said, "I say that I'm not satisfied."

Liberal leader Ray Perrault issued a statement on behalf of the party caucus which said it was in the public interest that the government immediately order a full judicial inquiry.

"The terms of reference of the inquiry should include a complete review of the reasons for the Gaglardi resignation, and all matters attendant thereto," the statement said.

Mr. Strachan told reporters outside the house that the government "and particularly in recent weeks" had demonstrated a singular lack of ethical standards.

"Until this state of affairs is improved," he said, "I for one have no faith that parliamentary democracy in this province is in safe hands."

"Only a full and frank statement by the premier," he added, "can assure the people of this province they're not running away and using this device to escape responsibility."

Mr. Perrault said the resignation of Mr. Gaglardi as highways minister disclosed no new facts and, indeed,

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Israelis Pull Back

Raid Bases Erased

From AP-Wireless

Israeli troops, 15,000 strong by Arab estimate, claimed to have wiped out four Arab terrorist bases in an invasion of Jordan on Thursday. The invaders then fought back homeward under heavy fire.

Jordanian resistance slowed the withdrawal, but the Israeli

chief of staff, Maj.-Gen. Haim Bar-Lev, said late Thursday night that all Israeli forces had returned to the west bank of the Jordan River, the ceasefire line between the two countries.

The west bank was seized from Jordan in the Arab-Israeli war of June 5-10 last.

FIERCE FIGHTS

Fierce engagements were reported around the Damiya and Allenby bridges on the Jordan River between Arab riflemen and Israeli rearguards, bagged after 14 hours of fighting.

Israel also said its raid killed an estimated 150 Arab saboteurs and inflicted heavy casualties on Jordanian King Hussein's Arab Legion.

COUNTY-CLAIMS

The Israelis claimed destruction of 30 Jordanian tanks. Jordan said it destroyed 45 Israeli tanks and about 50 other armored vehicles and shot down five Israeli planes while losing 10 tanks and 10 other vehicles.

Israel acknowledged the loss of five armored vehicles and one plane to Jordanian ground fire. The pilot bailed out safely.

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Venezuelan Airliner Hijacked to Cuba

CARACAS, (AP)—A Venezuelan airliner was hijacked Thursday night and flown to Cuba with 50 persons aboard, the interior department reported.

Officials said the Avensa liner was hijacked en route from Caracas to Maracaibo and flown to Santiago, Cuba. A spokesman said there were 47 passengers and three crew members aboard.

No-Family Rule Going Into Effect

Premier May Get Rid of That Jet

Premier Bennett will ground the government's controversial Lear jet and says he will consider buying out of the lease and getting rid of the half-million-dollar aircraft.

His first action Thursday after becoming highways minister in place of Philip Gaglardi was to announce a new policy covering all phases of operation of government aircraft.

In future, the aircraft will be used exclusively by cabinet ministers and government employees on official business, said Mr. Bennett. No families or friends or other non-government passengers will be permitted.

Future trips by the aircraft outside of B.C. will require written permission from the premier himself, Mr. Bennett added.

A log book is to be kept of all trips taken by the aircraft and the names of passengers on the flights are to be recorded, said the premier. In the case of the Lear jet, now in Wichita, Kan., for servicing, it must be returned to its Victoria base "as soon as possible" and will be grounded until further notice, said Mr. Bennett.

In answer to a question, the premier said he was considering

the matter of buying out of the lease on the jet.

The lease was sold last December by a previous owner for \$486,000 to Greyhound Leasing and Financial Corporation, according to David Barrett (NDP-Coquitlam) following a study of government vouchers in the public accounts committee.

Mr. Barrett said under terms of the lease, which expires July 1, 1976, B.C.

would pay a total of \$735,000 for the jet if it completed the final purchase.

After the end of May, 1968, the government has the option to buy out of the lease on three months' notice and payment of \$25,000 cash. Mr. Barrett said the three-month lease fee would cost another \$25,000.

Mr. Bennett was asked by reporters what the government's former policy was,

covering the use of government aircraft. He replied: "I am telling you the policy established since I became minister at 3:15 p.m. today (Thursday)."

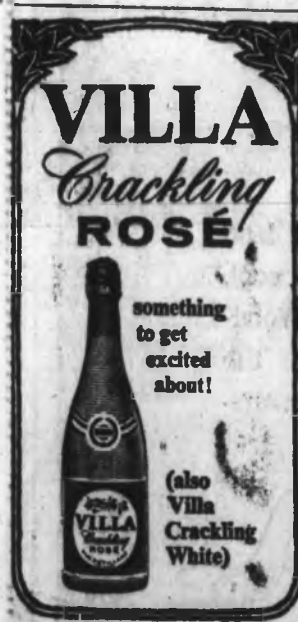
A question answered in writing in the legislature Wednesday estimated the value of the five government-owned aircraft at \$600,000 and said the lease on the jet cost \$70,986 in 1967.

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Gaglardi Now Minister Without Portfolio

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...his estimates through the house starting at 2 p.m., and also that he would appear before a closed meeting of the caucus at 1:30 p.m. to answer questions from the back benches.

Shortly after the appointed time, Premier Bennett and Mr. Gaglardi walked together from the premier's office to the first-floor government caucus room. They exchanged greetings with reporters waiting nearby, then entered caucus.

LEFT AGAIN

About a minute later, the premier and minister left again, after telling the M.L.A.s, it was subsequently learned, that the government needed more time for action. Mr. Gaglardi returned to his office and was not in the house when the afternoon sitting began.

Shortly before 3 p.m., Mr. Bennett, accompanied by Mr. Gaglardi and L. J. Wallace, deputy provincial secretary, arrived at Government House. They made no statement there, but on their return the premier told reporters he had an im-

portant announcement which had to be made first to the house. Resource Minister Ray Williston was speaking when the premier entered, and as soon as the minister sat down, Mr. Bennett asked leave to make a statement.

It was 3:35 p.m. when the premier, looking pale, rose to say: "I have to announce with great regret that at 3:15 p.m. the lieutenant-governor accepted the resignation of the minister of highways and appointed him as minister without portfolio. A few minutes later the premier was sworn in as minister of highways."

CORRIDOR COMMENT

Outside the house, Mr. Bennett told reporters who crowded around him in the Speaker's Corridor that Mr. Gaglardi had voluntarily resigned at 1 p.m. Thursday.

He added: "He wished to resign as minister of highways and I asked him to continue to accept a position within the cabinet as minister without portfolio."

and offered to resign. It was done voluntarily. He didn't say so, but I know it was his health. You know his health is causing concern and I'm sure it was his health."

TEARS IN EYES

Tears welled in the premier's eyes as he said: "The Hon. P. A. Gaglardi is one of British Columbia's great men. When he took over (as highways minister) we had a few trails and broken-down bridges. Now we have some of the best highways and bridges in the whole world. His monuments are everywhere in this province. Other provinces would like to have highways ministers only 10 per cent as efficient."

With efficiency and hard work, Mr. Bennett said, the former minister saved "not hundreds, not thousands, not millions, but tens and tens of millions of dollars in the development of highways on a non-patronage basis."

"The people and I will be indebted to him forever and ever. He has worked 24 hours a day for years. I have been trying to get him to take a holiday, but he hasn't had a real holiday for 15 years."

ALWAYS THERE

"He's always been there, in trouble, in floods, he's been there to help, at any time, anywhere."

Asked what job Mr. Gaglardi would be doing, the premier replied: "There are lots of jobs he can do when his health is restored, because he has a lot of ability."

"As you know and the public well knows, he had a serious operation on his jaw. Following that he had a relapse. He has been in very bad pain. He has lost 15 pounds ... and I accepted his resignation with great regret."

ANSWERS PLEDGE

In response to questions about opposition statements that it would not be satisfied until it received answers to some "unanswered questions" regarding Mr. Gaglardi's operation of the highways department, the premier said:

"I will endeavor to get the answers."

Mr. Bennett said he would pilot the \$128,000,000 highways department estimates through the house, beginning probably sometime next week. He said the delay in estimates, which

should have been dealt with instead of Mr. Williston's this week if the usual order prevailed, would require gathering of detailed information.

The announcement of Mr. Gaglardi's resignation appeared to come as a surprise to M.L.A.s, including those on the government side, with the exception of making his decision.

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Roberts Bank Prices

Landowners Band To Battle Province

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prices. Some signed expropriation releases but others haven't. Attorney-General Bonner said "what we have done is get agents into the field to endeavor to settle the land issue as quickly as possible. If this isn't done then the matter will go through the normal arbitration procedures." The government requires 2,000 acres for development of the port site.

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Opposition Hammers at Hydro:**Socreds Shut Door to Public**

The opposition train accused the Social Credit government Thursday of hiding details of public affairs, as liberals and NDP hammered at the province's dam and hydro power program.

NDP spokesman Randolph Harding (Revelstoke-Slocan) charged that Lands, Forests and Water Resources Minister Ray Williston's department was giving away power-producing water stored by the new Duncan Dam.

Mr. Williston said there was not yet any agreement with the West Kootenay Power or Cominco, whose dams on the lower Kootenay River west of Nelson use the water.

DURING DEBATE

The attacks came during debate on the estimates of Mr. Williston's department.

Heaviest pressure on Mr. Williston revolved around the affairs of B.C. Hydro and Power Authority, a crown corporation of which he is a director.

Opposition members, including NDP leader Robert Strachan, claimed that little information on B.C. Hydro was being released by the government.

House committee chairman Herbert Bruch repeatedly inter-

vened, saying that B.C. Hydro affairs were not covered by the vote then under debate.

"Doors are being closed on public business," shouted Mr. Strachan. "Public business in

Chamber Active

DUNCAN — Directors of the Duncan-Cowichan Chamber of Commerce will hold a development clinic, May 13 to 15.

The clinic program was explained by John Tibbitts of Vancouver, Western representative of the Canadian Chamber.

He said "The purpose of the clinic is to assist organizations to become more effective. We follow two courses of action.

"First, on the local level, we take a look at the chamber's bylaws, grant system and similar items.

"Then, members of the Canadian Chamber staff conduct a survey among the businessmen in the area. We ask them where the chamber can be improved, where are its weaknesses and what are its strengths."

this province must always be subject to questioning."

Patrick McGeer (L.-Vancouver Point Grey) declared:

"Information on B.C. Hydro does not come from its annual reports. It comes from the prospectuses that go to Wall Street."

POWER RATES

Gordon Dowding (NDP-Burnaby-Edmonds) at one point accused chairman Herbert Bruch of using the house rules to obscure the affairs of B.C. Hydro.

Tom Berger (NDP-Vancouver Burrard) asked an assurance from Mr. Williston that the power rates of B.C. Hydro wouldn't be increased this year.

"As soon as I find out I'll be pleased to let you know," replied Mr. Williston.

Repeated questioning on the subject failed to get any clear answer, and another shouting match erupted between Mr. Strachan and Mr. Bruch.

Mr. McGeer asked Mr. Williston to bring B.C. Hydro executives before a committee of the house for questioning, but got no satisfaction.

Mr. Harding noted that the Duncan Dam had been completed since last summer, and wanted to know what benefit

was accruing to the province from downstream benefits to power dams operated by West Kootenay Power and Cominco.

The dam is storing more water which can be released for use in the turbines instead of going to waste, he observed.

Mr. Williston, said negotiations were in progress with the companies, but that nothing had "We're fed up with these sellouts!" cried Mr. Strachan.

Earlier, Mr. Williston repeated his previous statement that ing water to the U.S. under the North American Water and Power Alliance.

"B.C. is against the entire concept," he said.

TWELVE YEARS

Reforestation also came under attack. Several opposition members claimed that far less acreage was being planted than was logged each year.

David Stupich (NDP-Nanaimo) said that in the 12 years since the Sloan royal commission report on the forest industry, B.C. had not planted what the Sloan report said should be done in one year.

Mr. Williston defended the government's program. Early technical difficulties had been solved, he said, and B.C.'s system was recognized as one of the best in the world.

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Court Moving to City

The B.C. Court of Canadian Citizenship, with headquarters in Vancouver, is seeking an office in Victoria.

An official said Thursday that temporary facilities in Vancouver are too small.

When the new office is located

here, Mrs. Laura Affleck, formerly of Victoria, will be in charge.

Applications for Canadian Citizenship are currently handled by the Victoria County Court. The new arrangement will call for them to be handled by Mrs. Affleck.

Formerly, new Canadian citizens received their certificates from Judge Montague Drake in Victoria County Court. Now they are issued by the federal court in Vancouver and presented here by Judge Eric Chown, president of the court.

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Board's Books Must Open MLA Claims

DUNCAN — Opposition leader Robert Strachan is backing a third attempt by a discharged high school teacher to look at the minutes of Cowichan School Board meetings.

Mr. Strachan, MLA for this area, told Kenneth Hasanen he has a right to see the minutes.

Mr. Hasanen was fired last year when he refused to continue teaching after the district superintendent entered his classroom.

Twice Mr. Hasanen approached the board to inspect the minutes of school board meetings, and twice he was told by the board's lawyer "If there are any further proceedings to be taken (by yourself), these proceedings should be taken by your solicitor."

Mr. Strachan consulted the department of education, and "the information is that you have the right to inspect the minutes."

"If there is a continued refusal on the part of the school board to allow this right, please contact me again."

Now Mr. Hasanen is making his third request to the school board to see the minutes.

He said "The irrational reaction of the school board to my simple request, demonstrates the collective incapacity of the board to make a reasonable decision and act responsibly."

His requests to see the

minutes are based on Section 96 of the Public Schools Act. "The minutes shall be open for the inspection of any person, who may make copies thereof and extracts therefrom, at all reasonable times, on payment each time of a fee not exceeding 50 cents."



Hasanen

Timber Domination Hit by MLA, Details on Page 39

Pioneer Park Bylaw Formed

NORTH COWICHAN — The joint Duncan - North Cowichan recreation commissions unanimously agreed Thursday night to initiate an \$800,000 bylaw for a pioneer park development.

First promotion preparations will be made within two weeks. Approval to put the bylaw to

the people in Duncan and the southern portion of North Cowichan will have to come from the respective councils.

The bylaw would include funds for a covered swimming pool, a recreation complex, improvement of playing fields and the acquisition of a piece of land adjacent to Pioneer Park.

Coun. Dennis Hogan, who made the bylaw motion, said "It is our responsibility to give the people in this area the right to express their opinion through a vote. We shall need the cooperation and assistance of every organization in the area."

Duncan Mayor Jim Qualie, who attended the meeting as an observer, asked whether or not the people in the unorganized areas will be able to participate.

Tickets Drawn

Nine Vancouver Islanders hold tickets drawn in the Irish Sweepstakes based on next Wednesday's running of the Lincolnshire Handicap.

The list, with ticket numbers and horses' names, was released Thursday from Dublin. Drawn tickets are:

VME 8386, Bonanza, Campbell River; VMK 5647, Herbert Friedrich, Port McNell; VHT 7282, Wales, Coombs; WXP 68304, Vee Gee, Wellington; VHE 60366, Lisbeth Anderson, Port Alberni; VJQ 63883, Wee Eight, Victoria; VJA 91513, Valencia, Victoria; Mজেতা - VJP 61239, Leade, Bamfield; VJQ 64813, Dunny, Cobble Hill.

Sproat Lake Fire 'Not Occur Again'

Circumstances which created the disastrous Sproat Lake forest fire of last summer won't happen again, Lands and Forests Minister Ray Williams assured the legislature Thursday.

He made the promise after opposition members inquired why blasting was permitted along the Alberni-Tofino road when the woods were closed because of fire hazard.

Robert Williams (NDP-Vancouver East) suggested that lands and forests regulations were lax because Windsor Construction, the road-building firm, had been allowed to remain on the job after loggers were sent home.

Mr. Williams replied that there had been no general forest closure, only a self-imposed one by the forest industry.

The minister said a string of adverse circumstances allowed the fire to get out of control.

There was inadequate firefighting equipment on hand, he said.

A Mars water bomber called to the fire missed the blaze on its first drop.

"Rather than hitting the fire, it blew (tanned) it," he said.

And then the plane had trouble in one engine and was delayed while repairs were made.

By the time it was action again, the fire had spread widely and burned a bridge.

Family Unhappy

'Pledge Broken'

By KLAUS MUENTER

DUNCAN — Cowichan Indian Robert Thomas is angry and frustrated because he and other Indian families living near the stone church have a water line that is useless.

The water line was put there last April but many of the houses have not been connected.

Mr. Thomas said "we have

been promised a lot of things, a water tap, sink, bathtub and toilet."

"They did not even put a water tap on the pipe which is sticking out."

"We have nothing to say when we go to the general band meetings."

He tried unsuccessfully to raise the matter at different meetings.

"We don't like it there are no taps on the pipes and no running water in the houses."

"Our community service committee is looking into this matter right now and we hope to get a revolving loan to fix it up."

"However, if it would be myself, I at least would have put a tap on the standpipe. I just wonder where the individual responsibility begins?"

Mr. Thomas said "I pay for my light and phone every month because both are working. There is not one house in this village that has a tap."

"I never paid for my water for about five months. I shall pay when it is fixed."

Mr. Thomas' second complaint concerns the band council directly.

He asked "Can the band council or the band manager take over land while the owner is still alive?"

He said the piece of land in question is in the new subdivision but council never paid money for it.

It belongs to one of Mr. Thomas' cousins, Basil Paul who has been in hospital for the past five years.

Band manager Ross Modeste said the band contributed \$10,000 to the \$54,000 water line into the Indian community at the stone church.

"The promises must have been made by the Indian Affairs Department because we have no funds."

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Industry Official Defends Strike, Lockout Tactics

By JEAN MacGREGOR

LAKE COWICHAN — A forest industry spokesman has defended strikes and lockouts as valid bargaining weapons in our economy.

They are "essential elements that make our system work," said Arnie Irwin, personnel manager of Western Forest Industries.

He was speaking to the Lake Cowichan Chamber of Commerce, and made these points:

- Old-time decisions made by company managers have been replaced by co-operation between union workers and management.
- The conciliation process in B.C. is outdated, and actually hinders the bargaining process.
- Compulsory arbitration is not the answer to problems in our economic system, and would serve neither companies or their workers.
- A corps of highly-skilled mediators should move into the industrial picture, to help contract negotiation.

Conciliation Primitive

Mr. Irwin noted a consensus has been developing in recent years among both labor and management, that the existing structure of collective bargaining and conciliation procedures has outlived its usefulness.

He stated, "Conciliation has its origins in the public philosophy which prevailed in an earlier and more primitive era of labor history, which held that time limits, cooling off periods and rigid conciliation procedures were necessary to protect the public interest."

"This view had some validity in that era, but no longer. Its rigidity has converted the whole system into an impediment rather than an aid to collective bargaining."

"The alternative, which reflects our opposition to com-

pulsory arbitration as a general principle, is the creation of a highly skilled corps of mediators and the concurrent establishment of a permanent and independent fact-finding tribunal."

Mr. Irwin continued, "While compulsory arbitration continues to be viewed with distaste as a general principle, there remains the urgent necessity to protect the public in such vital areas as police and fire protection and emergency hospital services."

"Provision for binding and strike-free settlements would also have to be extended to other areas where, in the view of the government, prejudice to the public interest is sufficiently great to justify drastic interven-

tion."

Strike Threat Vital

Mr. Irwin said employers recognize that essential elements in the collective bargaining process are the strike and the lockout.

"Without this ultimate concession there would be no credibility to the bargaining position of the parties," he said.

"Some economic loss through work stoppages is the price we pay for one of the essential instruments that help to make our system work."

Mr. Irwin stressed, however, "That there must be some limit of the price paid for the system."

"Society can stand only so much economic disruption caused by collective bargaining."

"There must come a time when losses amount to a critical point and the price of freedom in the collective bargaining arena exceeds the ability of society to pay."

He stated new approaches can be found to make free collective bargaining work more effectively, and he outlined the ways in which the labor movement, management and government must discharge their responsibilities more effectively.

"The labor movement must create an environment within its ranks which will produce high quality leadership and make it politically possible for that leadership to act with responsibility and restraint."

Mr. Irwin said, "We have some appreciation of the difficult political situations confronting union leaders who are dependent for their office on rank and file electoral support."

"But despite this difficulty, a way must be found to raise very substantially the level of responsibility in the trade union movement."



Fire out, Then on Again

Firemen fight blaze that destroyed home of Sid LeBlanc family. Mrs. LeBlanc and two children were in Vancouver when house on Sherman Road, North Cowichan, burned Thursday. Building was owned by Ron Forrest, who is at logging camp.

Small fire in oil stove was put out by LeBlanc Thursday morning. Later he lit stove, and left house. Fire broke out in early afternoon. Living room and bedroom were destroyed, all contents were lost. — (Klaus Muentner)

Accidental Oil Dump Brings Heavy Fine

NANAIMO — Magistrate Eric Winch said although dumping of bunker oil from the Sierra was accidental, he felt more attention to possibilities of polluting harbors must be maintained.

Captain Robert Ferguson pleaded guilty to discharging oil into Crofton Harbor, March 18, and was fined \$750.

He testified the second engine had turned on pumps at

the settling tanks. But according to the second engineer, the oil had been hot, and transfer had been quicker than expected.

A signal alarm coupled to a detection malfunctioned when the tanks overflowed.

He said that as soon as he was notified, he contacted authorities, and officials of B.C. Forest Products, whom he knew to have men and equipment to fight the spread of the 500 gallons of oil.

He said the estimated costs for clean up are \$3,500.

At one time, court was told, the oil covered an area of 80 feet by 60 feet, to a depth of half an inch.

The ship, a rail barge and tenders confined the oil within an area near the piling, allowing a minimum to escape.

The pump, which handles 225 gallons a minute, had only been discharging the oil for about five minutes.

Captain Ferguson admitted that the rule stating the ship's scuppers must be plugged to avoid oil spillage, had not been observed.

Damages has been confined, court was told, to an area which is primarily industrial. There are two nearby oyster beds, one being bought by B.C. Forest Products and the other leased.

In another court matter, Robert MacPhail pleaded guilty to negligent driving, and was fined \$300 to be paid at \$75 a month, and prohibited him from driving for one month.

Magistrate Winch told Mr. MacPhail, "everybody who does this knows the penalties."

Mr. MacPhail had been followed through the south end of town, until he drove across a lawn, and was apprehended.

Police used handcuffs to bring him to the cells, where his blood alcohol content was measured at .19 per cent.

Orville Hackl, Port Alberni, pleaded guilty to possession of stolen property, and was recommended to Monday for sentence.

Island Scene

Members of the South Salt Spring Island women's auxiliary held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. G. A. Treadwell, and 24 attended. The meeting, a busy one, organized plans for the April 4 Vancouver-Island women's auxiliary conference to be held at Fulford Hall. Miss Bea Handfield from the local branch was chosen as delegate.

More than 250 delegates are expected at the conference. Next meeting of the South Salt Spring group will be held in the home of Mrs. W. M. E. Low, Isabella Point Road. Bill Freethly is on Port Alberni's Woodward's food floor. Chairman of the Cowichan Music Festival this year was Mrs. L. C. Smith.



Freethly

Search Hopeless

The search for a Port Alberni-bound float plane carrying four people has been abandoned after three weeks.

The Cessna aircraft carrying Jerry Brock, owner of the J. S. Brock Trucking company here, Mrs. Brock, their son Tim, 14, and a friend, Jim McCusky, 14, all of the Kalamalka Lake region, left Vernon at 3:45 p.m. March 1.

Air Search and Rescue spokesman said recently the plane had been heard from once in Nanaimo after take-off. The pilot asked for weather condi-

tions. He gave no position and said nothing about any problems with the flight, the spokesman said.

The time the message was received corresponded roughly with the time the aircraft should have been over Nanaimo.

There were several false sightings during the three week search which at its height was using five military and several civilian planes.

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Island Woods

Big Firms Attacked

By BILL STAVDAL

"Corporate banana republics" are being created on northern Vancouver Island by large forest industries, Opposition MLA Robert Williams charged in the legislature Thursday.

Mr. Williams, member for Vancouver East, said large areas of the Island — and the mainland too — were being economically dominated by the big firms.

He said small operators were becoming subservient to the timber giants, and that the government has made almost no provision for recreation on the North Island while granting cutting licences.

Mr. Williams' accusations came during debate on the estimates of Lands and Forests Minister Ray Williston.

Mr. Williams said the large firms' control of road access was in effect giving them complete control of the areas on which they held licences.

The public now needs permits from these firms to travel on northern Vancouver Island, he said, and named Tahsis, Canadian Forest Products, Crown Zellerbach, Rayonier and MacMillan Bloedel Ltd.

Altogether, he said, they control half the Island. Large areas are "fully dominated" by the firms, said the MLA.

MacMillan Bloedel owns most of the land in Port McNeill, he said.

"In Port Alice, Rayonier owns everything. What kind of local community democracy can we have in this situation," he asked.

In the Nimpkish Valley of the north Island, tree farm licences

were granted without any recreation provisions being made, he said.

Former small independent logging companies had become contractors to the big firms, he said.

"They are essentially becoming shareholders in their own forest."

At government hearings on licence applications, small businesses and individuals were afraid to complain against the big companies, said Mr. Williams.

"It's a frightening thing, and something the minister should not tolerate."

He called for a royal commission into the government's "mismanagement or undermanagement" of the forests.

Mr. Williams recalled that the Sloan Royal Commission of 1956 recommended that another such royal commission be held in about 10 years.

Mr. Williston did not reply to Mr. Williams' charges.

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A North Island public health nurse was unable to attend a baby clinic last year because she couldn't cross roads owned by forest industries, Robert Williams said later in the day.

He renewed his charge that the population of the North Island is at a disadvantage in dealing with "the forest giants."

Mr. Williams told the Legislature that an unnamed public health nurse stationed in Port Hardy tried three times to cross privately-owned roads to attend a baby clinic at Port Alice.

She was turned away three times, he said.

Mr. Williams said the population of the North Island can't build a regional hospital as long as road access is restricted by the forest firms.

"The hospital can't work without a free road system," he said. "There has to be a free road system."

"The public shouldn't have to move through in the dead of night."

He asked Lands and Forests Minister Williston to respond to his challenge, but got none.

However, earlier in the evening sitting Mr. Williston said he was pleased with the attitude of timber companies toward the public right of access.

He said the public can move freely from Campbell River to Port Alice, mostly on roads built by forest industries.



Pipe Dream

Installation of sewer system in south end of North Cowichan is proceeding on schedule, should be ready by end of this summer. Cost of pipe laying, by Chew Excavating Co., Victoria, is about \$390,000. New system will serve 600 people and three schools in Cowichan school district. Stewart LeBlanc, Al LeBlanc, in ditch, and Harold Hamilton, right, all of Duncan, are shown at work on Highland Avenue. North Cowichan Reeve Donald Morton said scheme will include sewage disposal lagoon in conjunction with city of Duncan. — (Klaus Muenster)

Life of Adventure

Mass Killing Threatened

By RUTH McKELLAR

COURTENAY — Vilhelm Schjelderup began an adventurous life sailing to school down the fjords of Norway. He was born at Kristiansand in 1885, later becoming a surveyor and skier.

His father was Bishop of Norway and a member of an old and distinguished Scandinavian family.

As a young man he left his engineering studies in Oslo for a life at sea, sailing before the mast in windjammers. Later he worked on ships in the Caribbean and was wounded when he became involved in a revolution in Haiti.

INDIAN THREAT

Among his assignments when he came to B.C. as a surveyor was to survey the Kitwancool Indian Reserve on the Skeena River. It resulted in an Indian uprising and the threatened massacre of the survey parties under Mr. Schjelderup's leadership.

This was in 1928, believed to be the last Indian uprising in North America.

While in Burns Lake, B.C., as he was known, and several other Scandinavian skiers (including world champion Nels Nelson) fostered the initial development of skiing in B.C.

HORSE TO PLANE

He participated in an exciting era of pioneer surveying in the province, watching it progress from pack horse, canoe, Model

T Ford to the advanced electronics-packed aircraft of today. At the age of 82, he died recently in St. Joseph's Hospital, Comox.

Mr. Schjelderup was always present at Remembrance Day parades and was a proud member of the Royal Canadian Legion. He was also a member of the Courtenay Rotary Club.

PRIVATE PRACTICE

In the early 1930s, those hard depression years, the Schjelderups left Burns Lake and re-established themselves in Courtenay after three years in Victoria. Continuously since his arrival in 1933, until a relatively short time before his death, Mr. Schjelderup carried on private practice in land surveying.

He was a widely-known and highly respected life member of the Association of British Columbia Land Surveyors.

CALGARY COMMANDER

Mr. Schjelderup is survived by his widow Edythe, his daughter Mrs. R. N. Robson, Witham, Essex, England, and two sons: Colonel V. R. Schjelderup, presently commander of CFB Calgary; and Dr. H. C. Schjelderup, director of research with Douglas Aircraft Co. in California; and nine grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers: Bishop Kristian Schjelderup, Kristiansand, Norway, and Professor Harald Schjelderup of Oslo University.

A memorial service will be held shortly.

Around the Island

Plane Flips Near Nanaimo

NANAIMO

A single-engine, light amphibian aircraft turned over on landing in Long Lake, three miles north of Nanaimo Thursday when a wheel failed to retract and the warning light did not come on. Pilot Arthur Knight, 52, Knights Trailer Sales, Port Moody, and his passenger Klaus Schmidt, 32, Medicine Hat, Alta., escaped injury and were able to climb free immediately. Both men

clung to the plane until rescued by a lakeshore resident. Attempts to pull the plane by power boat to the shore failed when a strong breeze carried the plane to the northern end of the lake. Further efforts will be made again today.

SHAWNIGAN LAKE

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. George Pearkes are scheduled to attend the foundation laying ceremony at Strathcona Lodge school at 3 p.m. today. The first of seven new buildings to be erected will be a dormitory which can accommodate 40 students and a resident house mistress. A fine arts centre will be included in the overall scheme.

LAKE COWICHAN

Four young men have elected to be tried in County Court after being charged with breaking, entering and theft. Wayne Coulombe and Bill McMeiken, 23, will appear together at a preliminary hear-

ing, and Gary Long and William Francis, (alias Harris) both 19, will have separate hearings. They were charged with having broken into government liquor store at Lake Cowichan, and stealing some liquor and beer.

DUNCAN

Funeral services will be held Saturday for Victoria Erickson, who has died in Cowichan district hospital, aged 81. Mr. Erickson came to Canada in 1910 from Sweden. He homesteaded at Camwood, Sask. until 1935, and had lived here for the past 14 years.

CHERAMAINES — Two Nanaimo juveniles have each been

placed on six months probation in Juvenile Court after stealing chocolate bars and about 80 cents from the pro-shop of the Mount Brenton golf course in Chemainus last month. They were charged with breaking and entering.

NANAIMO — The provincial cabinet created a new Class A marine park on 58.8 acres at Pirates Cove near Nanaimo. The property overlooks Pylades Channel.



Yonge



Jensen

Meeting Of Minds

NANAIMO — A psychiatrist who believes strongly in greater co-operation between the clergy and psychiatric workers to help patients has spent two days in Nanaimo, talking and meeting with people.

He was Dr. Keith Yonge, Professor and head of the Department of Psychiatry at Edmonton's University of Alberta.

He is also Director of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Edmonton Hospital.

Dr. Yonge is a specialist in spiritual aspects of psychiatry and family relationships. He is a member of the American Psychiatric Association committee on religion and mental health.

He said he is a Christian, but did not mention any denomination.

The psychiatrist in Nanaimo, Dr. S. E. Jensen, has been working toward the same goal of clergy-medical co-operation.

Dr. Jensen said he too is a Christian. His area extends throughout the central and upper parts of Vancouver Island.

Dr. Yonge appeared on a hot line radio program, met senior high school teachers, attended meetings with the clergy, personnel doing counselling work and church school teachers.

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GAGLARDI RESIGNS POST



Gaglardi in office with jet model, Bible... and an end of lonely day



Bennett after announcement in House

'I'm One of Dying Breed'

By IAN STREET
Legislative Reporter

Philip Arthur Gaglardi, on his own say-so one of a dying breed, sat surrounded by mementoes of his 13 years as highways minister in B.C.

The immediate task facing him was to vacate the office cluttered with framed testimonials, portraits of family, an autographed picture of a movie star, and models of the equipment Phil Gaglardi loved to operate.

Suddenly, after running a government department that will spend \$129,000,000 this year,

he was a minister without portfolio and "probably without supporters, too."

Fence Leaper

"Would you do it all over again, Phil?" a reporter asked. "Sure, sure, sure," he replied. "I'm one of a breed that's dying out, you know. I'm an individualist. You're not going to hear me in, mister. If you fellows try, I'm going to leap over those fences."

Phil Gaglardi is proud of the fact that he is a man who knows what he wants from life, and he runs things accordingly. He was asked whether he

considered that he had done wrong, as the opposition charged in a series of disclosures which culminated with his offer to resign as highways minister.

"I guess I've made maybe a million mistakes in my life," he said.

The reporter pressed him. Had he ever intentionally done wrong?

'Who Cares?'

"No, no, no," said Phil Gaglardi. "I don't do those things."

What about his future? Would he stay in politics? "Who

cares?" Phil Gaglardi asked. "I make that decision day by day. I wake up in the morning now just that much lighter."

"What's happened, I know, will make a lot of people happy. But some sensible people will be disappointed."

No Regrets

"My decision is based on the needs of the government. I'm not interested personally (in remaining a minister) but the premier, who has always been extremely fair in his judgments, asked me to remain."

"He specifically said he

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An intense and sustained opposition attack brought the resignation Thursday of Philip Gaglardi as minister of highways for the province.

Premier Bennett, who made the announcement to the legislature, will take personal charge of the highways department, which has been rocked by controversy surrounding land speculation and use of government aircraft.

Mr. Gaglardi, who remains in the cabinet as a minister without portfolio, will have his \$12,000-a-year salary as minister cut to \$8,000. He has been asked to vacate his present office but at the moment no other accommodation has been allocated.

The Premier later told reporters ill-health was the reason for Mr. Gaglardi's resignation.

The former highways minister, 55 years old, is still recovering from surgery on an impacted tooth and a jaw cyst. The reason he gave reporters for quitting, however, was his concern that the government was being damaged by attacks on him. (See also Page 21.)

Mr. Bennett refused to answer questions regarding his handling during highways estimates next week of allegations concerning use of the government's executive Lear jet by members of Mr. Gaglardi's family, involvement of the former minister's sons in land developments along highways, and work done by highways employees on Gaglardi ranches.

SECRET TRIP

"Don't try to anticipate the estimates," the premier told reporters.

The announcement of Mr. Gaglardi's resignation — following a hurried secret trip to Government House shortly before 3 p.m. Thursday — touched off a series of actions and reactions.

Liberal leader Ray Perrault immediately called for a full judicial inquiry into the reasons for the Gaglardi resignation "and all matters attendant thereto." NDP leader Robert Strachan said the premier must make a "full and frank" explanation to the public.

Premier Bennett announced a strict policy concerning use of government aircraft, implying Mr. Gaglardi's free-wheeling policies which brought the government under heavy attack were wrong.

The Lear jet, pride of the government's air fleet under Mr. Gaglardi, was ordered returned from Wichita, Kan., where it is being serviced, and grounded until further notice. There were indications that the government may buy out of the lease which runs until 1976.

There were indications of a further cabinet shuffle "in a few months" after the premier told reporters his personal handling of a highways portfolio was only temporary.

There was an air of crisis in the legislature which built up through the week and reached a climax Thursday. There were reports that the minister would

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It's Not Enough Say NDP, Grits

Leaders of Opposition parties in the legislature continued to press Thursday for further government action following the announcement that former highways minister Philip Gaglardi would remain in the cabinet.

NDP leader Robert Strachan accused the government of "trying to run away from the issue" and said that if the circumstances were serious enough to warrant Mr. Gaglardi's resignation from the highways portfolio, "he should resign from the cabinet."

"As it is, Mr. Gaglardi is still within the cabinet and he is still an advisor to the lieutenant-governor-in-council," the Opposition leader said. "I say that I'm not satisfied."

Liberal leader Ray Perrault issued a statement on behalf of the party caucus which said it was in the public interest that the government immediately order a full judicial inquiry.

"The terms of reference of the inquiry should include a complete review of the reasons for the Gaglardi resignation, and all matters attendant thereto," the statement said.

Mr. Strachan told reporters outside the house that the

government "and particularly in recent weeks" had demonstrated a singular lack of ethical standards.

"Until this state of affairs is improved," he said, "I for one have no faith that parliamentary democracy in this province is in safe hands."

"Only a full and frank statement by the premier," he added, "can assure the people of this province they're not running away and using this device to escape responsibility."

Mr. Perrault said the resignation of Mr. Gaglardi as highways minister disclosed no new facts and, indeed,

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Israelis Pull Back

Raid Bases Erased

From AP-Berlin
Israeli troops, 15,000 strong by Arab estimates, claimed to have wiped out four Arab terrorist bases in an invasion of Jordan on Thursday. The invaders then fought back homeward under heavy fire.

Jordanian resistance slowed the withdrawal, but the Israeli

chief of staff, Maj.-Gen. Haim Bar-Lev, said late Thursday night that all Israeli forces had returned to the west bank of the Jordan River, the ceasefire line between the two countries.

The west bank was seized from Jordan in the Arab-Israeli war of June 5-10 last.

FIERCE FIGHTS

Fierce engagements were reported around the Damiya and Allenby bridges on the Jordan River between Arab riflemen and Israeli rearwards, haggard after 14 hours of fighting.

Israel also said its raid killed an estimated 150 Arab saboteurs and inflicted heavy casualties on Jordanian King Hussein's Arab Legion.

Jordan claimed 200 Israeli soldiers were killed, compared with 20 Jordanians. Israel said 30 of its men were killed.

COUNTER-CLAIMS

The Israelis claimed destruction of 50 Jordanian tanks. Jordan said it destroyed 45 Israeli tanks and about 50 other armored vehicles and shot down five Israeli planes while losing 10 tanks and 10 other vehicles.

Israel acknowledged the loss of five armored vehicles and one plane to Jordanian ground fire. The pilot bailed out safely.

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Novotny Resigns As Czech Chief

PRAGUE (UPI)—President Antonin Novotny resigned today under political fire. The Czech news agency CTK said Novotny quit "for reasons of ill-health." (See also Page 4.)

CTK said the presidium of the Czech Communist party accepted the resignation as chief of state from Novotny who was forced out of party leadership in January.

No-Family Rule Going Into Effect

Premier Bennett will ground the government's controversial Lear jet and says he will consider buying out of the lease and getting rid of the half-million-dollar aircraft.

His first action Thursday after becoming highways minister in place of Philip Gaglardi was to announce a new policy covering all phases of operation of government aircraft.

In future, the aircraft will be used exclusively by cabinet ministers and government employees on official business, said Mr. Bennett. No families or friends or other non-government passengers will be permitted.

Future trips by the aircraft outside of B.C. will require written permission from the premier himself, Mr. Bennett added.

A log book is to be kept of

all trips taken by the aircraft and the names of passengers on the flights are to be recorded, said the premier.

In the case of the Lear jet, now in Wichita, Kan., for servicing, it must be returned to its Victoria base "as soon as possible" and will be grounded until further notice, said Mr. Bennett.

In answer to a question, the premier said he was considering

the matter of buying out of the lease on the jet.

The lease was sold last December by a previous owner for \$486,808 to Greyhound Leasing and Financial Corporation, according to David Barrett (NDP-Coquitlam) following a study of government vouchers in the public accounts committee.

Mr. Barrett said under terms of the lease, which expires July 1, 1976, B.C.

would pay a total of \$785,000 for the jet if it completed the final purchase.

After the end of May, 1968, the government has the option to buy out of the lease on three months' notice and payment of \$25,000 cash. Mr. Barrett said the three-month lease fee would cost another \$25,000.

Mr. Bennett was asked by reporters what the govern-

ment's former policy was, covering the use of government aircraft. He replied: "I am telling you the policy established since I became minister at 3:15 p.m. today (Thursday)."

A question answered in writing in the legislature Wednesday estimated the value of the five government-owned aircraft at \$600,000 and said the lease on the jet cost \$70,996 in 1967.

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